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SCRAP THAT PAYS

A voluntary scrappage scheme for personal vehicles from 2024 and heavy commercial vehicles from 2023 promises discounts on new buys. A look

5% Manufacturer discount

4-6% Of ex-showroom price of a new car as scrap value for the older one

100 Scrapping centres to be made operational in the next two years

- A GST cut on new vehicles, whose buyers have scrapped their old cars
- Steep hike in FCs for vehicles that are older than 15 years
- Road tax rebate of up to 25% for personal vehicles and up to 15% for commercial vehicles by states proposed
- Registration fees may be waived for the new vehicle against the scrapping certificate

SCRAP CENTRES MUST

- Comply with environmental and pollution norms and with all applicable Acts
- Have adequate parking facility, de-pollution equipment for air, water and sound pollution and adequate facilities for hazardous waste disposal

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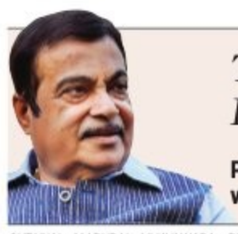

TOLL BOOTHS TO MAKE WAY FOR GPS-BASED COLLECTION

Physical plazas will be done away with in a year as Centre will use GPS imaging to collect highway levy through FASTag

OLD VEHICLES TO GET FREE FASTag

While new vehicles are FASTag-enabled by the manufacturers, the older ones will get the RFID tags for free from the Centre, said Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari. He said 93% users were paying the levy through the tag ever since it was made mandatory on February 16. Those not complying will face the heat for toll theft and GST evasion, he added

35,000

JOBS LIKELY TO BE CREATED DUE TO THE SCRAPPAGE POLICY

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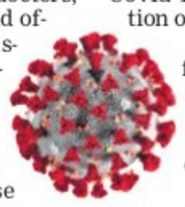
A medical worker carries swab samples during a Covid-19 testing drive near the Krantivira Sangolli Rayanna Railway Station in Bengaluru on Thursday | SHRIRAM BN

State readies to fight second wave, musters all resources

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

AS fresh cases of Covid-19 continue to surge with every passing day, the State Government has shifted gears and is reintroducing measures taken during the peak of the pandemic last year, to prevent a possible second wave and mitigate its impact.

For the next 50 days, doctors, healthcare workers and officials will work in mission mode to take preventive measures as well as to ramp up the vaccination drive.



"If we vaccinate senior citizens and those aged above 45 with comorbidities, we can mitigate the second wave," Health and Medical Education Minister Dr K Sudhakar said on Thursday after taking stock of the situation at a meeting with the heads of government hospitals in Bengaluru. The government has set an ambitious target of vaccinating three lakh people per day.

The Covid War Room, which was started last year, will be reactivated for real-time monitoring of the situation, contact tracing, creating micro-containment zones, earmarking of beds in government hospitals to treat Covid-19 patients, besides reviving the Covid Care Centres (CCC) and roping in private hospitals.

The government has decided to earmark 1,000 beds in government hospitals for treating Covid-19 patients in anticipation of a rise in cases.

Officials will hold the first round of discussion with private hospitals in the next two days to reserve beds for Covid-19 patients.

"If the infection spreads further, we will rope in private hospitals to ensure availability of adequate number of beds," he said.

The Health Minister said that they are now anticipating a possible second wave and preparing to fight it. "We also have the advantage of vaccines now, which we didn't have last year. People should follow precautions and should not let their guard down," Dr Sudhakar stressed.

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PREPARING FOR THE SURGE

GOVT HOSPITALS

- BMCRI, Victoria Hospital: To increase beds from 160 to 300
- Sir CV Raman General Hospital: 100 of 250 beds for Covid patients
- KC General: 70 general Covid beds + 50 ICU beds
- Govt hospitals in and around B'luru to upgrade capacity
- Govt to take a call on reserving 50% beds in private hospitals

COVID CARE CENTRES

- 3 centres used as CCCs will start by this weekend
- Each centre to have a minimum of 100 beds
- BBMP has finalised HAL's Command and Control Centre, National Games Village and Haj Bhavan
- BBMP to deploy staff at CCCs
- Health, zonal officers to ensure facilities are in place
- More CCCs may be opened if required, but not at BIEC

PM's nationalism pitch targets Didi

Modi recalls Mamata's critical take on Army during Pulwama blast in J&K in 2019 and the Balakot counterattack; slams her for calling 2008 Batla House shootout a fake encounter

PRONAB MONDAL @ Kolkata

REVIVING the BJP's nationalism plank, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday cited the Pulwama terror attack in J&K and the subsequent airstrike deep inside Pakistan's Balakot to put West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee on the back foot for criticising the Army earlier.

Modi also recalled Mamata pitching the Batla House shootout in 2008 as a fake encounter, a narrative that was negated by a Delhi court convicting a terrorist and awarding capital punishment in the case recently.

"The people of Bengal have not forgotten who you stood with after the Pulwama attack and criticised the Army. No one has forgotten how Mamata Didi and a few other parties reacted when the Batla House encounter took place. These people stood with the terrorists at that time and raised questions on the encounter. A court recently convicted one of the terrorists and sentenced him to capital punishment," Modi said, while addressing a rally in Junglemahal's Purulia district.

Turning to the alleged extortion and cut money issues that have smeared the reputation of the ruling Trinamool Congress, Modi said, "The BJP believes in DBT, which stands for direct bank transfer, whereas Didi believes in TMC, which is transfer my commission. TMC's days are numbered in Bengal."

Referring to the foot injury Mamata sustained while on her campaign trail in Nandigram, the PM said, "Like millions of other women, for me, Didi is also a daughter of the nation. When she got injured, I was worried. I pray for her speedy recovery."

The Trinamool has created a new breed of Maoists in Bengal who loot public money. The money is meant for poor people. Didi's government has patronised Maoist violence

Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

Referring to the *khela hobe* (there will be a game) one-liner Mamata is making at every public rally, Modi said, "*Didi bole khela hobe,* BJP *bole chaakri hobe. Didi bole khela hobe,* BJP *bole shiksha hobe. Didi bole khela hobe,* BJP *bole vikas hobe. Khela sesh hobe, vikas aarambh hobe* (Didi says there will be a game. BJP says, there will be employment, education, and development. The game will over over and development will begin)."

Modi also accused Mamata of encouraging West Bengal's Maoists, who have waged war against the country, for her political gain. Castigating her for playing the politics of religion, Modi said, "After practicing politics of appeasement in Bengal, suddenly there seems to be a change in Didi. This is not transformation of the soul. This is fear of defeat."

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Future tense as Delhi HC validates Singapore verdict in Amazon case

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

DEBT-riddled Future Group, led by its embattled founder Kishore Biyani, suffered a major setback after the Delhi High Court upheld an emergency arbitration (EA) award delivered by the Singapore International Arbitration Centre last year. The EA had put on hold a ₹24,713-crore deal between Reliance and Future Group.

Delivering the verdict on an appeal filed by e-commerce giant Amazon, a single judge bench of Justice J R Midha on Thursday issued a show-cause notice to Biyani and other FRL promoters, asking them why they shouldn't be detained in prison for violating the EA order. Ordering the attachment of their assets, the HC directed Biyani and others to furnish additional details of their assets.

Maintaining that the EA order was enforceable under Section 17(2) of the Indian Arbitration and Conciliation Act, Justice Midha criticised Biyani and other promoters for wilfully disobeying it. While directing Biyani to appear in person for the next hearing in April, the HC said that the Singapore's emergency arbitrator had rightly invoked the group of company doctrine and restrained Future Group from selling its assets to Reliance.

Biyani and FRL have been directed to stop further action in seeking regulatory approval to the RIL-FRL deal and bring on record all the actions taken for furtherance of the deal after the EA order was passed in October last.

The FRL had approached NCLAT to get the deal with RIL cleared in a bid to save its retail, warehousing and logistics businesses, reeling under a debt of ₹13,000 crore. Amazon, which owns a 49% stake in FRL's promoter entity Future Coupons, argued that Biyani had violated a contract, restraining the firm from entering into any shareholding arrangement with rival companies, including Reliance.

The whole thrust of the respondents before this court is that the petitioner (Amazon) is a trillion-dollar company and ₹1,430 crore invested by them in the present case is peanuts for them and they should forget about this money as it is worth zero today - Delhi HC

EXPRESS READ

India beat England by 8 runs in 4th T20

AHMEDABAD: A determined India beat England by eight runs in the fourth T20 International to level the five-match series 2-2 here on Thursday. Invited to bat first, India scored 185 for 8 in the stipulated 20 overs, with Suryakumar Yadav (57) and Shreyas Yadav (37) doing the bulk of scoring at the Narendra Modi Stadium. Meanwhile, England were stopped at 177 for 8 | P15

Govt bats for All India Judicial Service

NEW DELHI: A "properly framed" All India Judicial Service (AIJS) on the lines of other all-India services such as IAS and IPS is important to strengthen the overall justice delivery system, Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad told Rajya Sabha on Thursday. The service will give an opportunity for induction of qualified legal talent, as well as address the issue of social inclusion.

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Two lakh garment workers lost jobs, many others stare at loss of income

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

JUST when things had started looking up for garment workers, a possible second wave of the Covid-19 pandemic has brought back fears of income loss yet again. Garment workers, most of them women, were among the worst hit last year, as around two lakh of them lost their jobs, with garment units closing down and many laying off workers.

As per estimates, there are around 1,500 garment factories in the state, of which more than 900 are in Bengaluru. According to Labour Minister Shivaram Hebbar, in his reply to Tiptur MLA B C Nagesh in the Assembly, more than 2.85

lakh women were working in 983 garment units as of last year. Many of the units shut down and the total number of women workers has now dropped to less than one lakh. He also said that cases have been booked against 239 people (owners) for not providing minimum wages to women employees. This apart, notices have been served to 396 garment units for not providing facilities to women employees as per rules.

Hebbar told *The New Indian Express* that the USA, the UAE and European countries are the major markets for the garment units in Karnataka, especially those in Bengaluru. "Ever since the pandemic hit, followed by a lockdown, they were not able to export garments. Also, they could not take up fresh orders as they did not have storage space. This has been a major issue. However, for the last couple of months, things are improving and they have started work," he said.

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Ex-CEA quits, pressure on Univ to take back Mehta

'TROUBLING HE FELT COMPELLED TO LEAVE'

"That someone of such integrity and eminence, who embodied the vision underlying Ashoka, felt compelled to leave is troubling," Arvind Subramanian said in his resignation letter to vice-chancellor Malabika Sarkar

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE faculty and students at Ashoka University issued strong statements in support of political commentator Pratap Bhanu Mehta, who resigned from the university two days ago citing infringement on academic freedom, and demanded that the institution ask him to join back.

Pratap Bhanu Mehta

A day after Mehta's exit, noted economist and former chief economic advisor Arvind Subramanian put in his papers, ruing that the institution, "even with its private status and private capital, can no longer provide space for academic expression and freedom".

Mehta, who quit as the university's vice-chancellor two years ago, in an email to his students on Wednesday evening — a day after he resigned — had hinted that a discussion with the university regarding the "prevailing circumstances" led to his exit.

"The decision to leave Ashoka was not an easy one, especially because of the exceptional quality of students I have been privileged to teach," he wrote. "But after discussions with the university about the prevailing circumstances, it became clear to me that it was best to move on. Hence, I took the decision to resign."

The faculty of the university, in a letter to the chancellor Malabika Sarkar on Thursday said, "It is not only an occasion for sorrow over the departure of a deeply respected and admired colleague, it also raises urgent questions about the university's commitment to academic freedom as well as the internal processes."

It is plausible that Mehta's resignation was a consequence of his role as a public intellectual and a government critic, the faculty said.

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Top court should have bench in Bengaluru: MP

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

THE BJP's Rajya Sabha MP from Karnataka, K C Ramamurthy, on Thursday pitched for setting up a bench of the Supreme Court in Bengaluru. The former cop-turned-MP, who raised the issue in the Rajya Sabha on Thursday, reasoned that litigants were hesitant to approach the apex court owing to the distance, inability to afford transportation cost, and high fees of advocates. "There is a dire need for the SC to set up its appellate benches in four regions of the country. In the South, Bengaluru will be the ideal place," he said.

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JUDICIAL SENSITIVITY

SC slaps high court on the wrist over rakhi-for-bail order

KANU SARDA @ New Delhi

TERMING the Madhya Pradesh High Court order last year that had asked a man accused of sexual assault to have a *rakhi* tied by the victim to get bail, as a judicial stereotype, the Supreme Court on Thursday set it aside and issued a slew of guidelines on gender sensitivity in judicial approach.

A bench comprising Justices A M Khanwilkar and S Ravindra Bhatt said, "Judges play — at all levels — a vital role as teachers and thought leaders. It is their role to be impartial in words and action, at all times. If they falter, especially in gender-related crimes, they imperil fairness and inflict great cruelty in the casual blindness to the despair of the survivors."

The judgment came on a plea filed by nine women lawyers who had challenged the high court's directive saying such bail orders have the effect of trivialising sexual offences.

"Using *rakhi* tying as a condition for bail, transforms a molester into a brother, by a judicial mandate," the judgment read. "This is wholly unacceptable, and has the effect of diluting and eroding the offence of sexual harassment. The act perpetrated on the survivor constitutes an offence in law, and is not a minor transgression that can be remedied by way of an apology, rendering community service, tying a *rakhi* or presenting a gift to the survivor, or even promising to marry her, as the case may be," the 24-page judgment stated.

The bench, while issuing a set of directions to the trial courts and high courts, also stressed the need to include gender sensitisation in the curriculum as well and training of judicial officers in National Judicial Academy on this subject.

The syllabi and content of such courses shall be framed after due consultation with domain experts, preferably within three months, the verdict said adding that the use of language and appropriate words and phrases should be emphasized as part of this training.

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Sunset 6.30 pm
Moonrise 10.15 am
Moonset 11.18 pm

Lobbying starts for plum post in new waste firm

Former corporators want their contractors to take the post of CEO, meet ministers

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

IT'S been ten days since the State Government announced the formation of the Bengaluru Solid Waste Management Ltd, a separate entity to effectively address Bengaluru's garbage mess. But officials of the urban development department (UDD) have not yet come up with a shortlist of candidates for the post of Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

According to the government order, the CEO should be a non-government person, who could be an expert or from a private company. While Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) officials have been kept out of the selection process, former corporators have already started lobbying for the post.

They have started visiting ministers and other influential politicians to get their favoured garbage contractors the post.

"As per the government order, the company has to start functioning in two months. But till now, meetings have not been held, names have not been floated, or inquired upon, for the post. We don't know what is happening as we were kept out," a BBMP official said, adding that they have, however, prepared all documents to hand over to the company. "The detailed files of waste management plants are also ready to be transferred."

The official clarified that the formation of the company will have no impact on the ongoing Swachh Survekshan ranking and works, as the central team has completed its visit. The official also admitted that the corridors of BBMP are buzzing with talk on the CEO post, apart from hectic lobbying by contractors and former corporators.

A former corporator, on condition of anonymity, said, "There are many experts in the city and state, but what is the guarantee that the person who will be CEO will have no vested commercial interests? We are suggesting some names from the contractor firms which have practical experience in waste management in Bengaluru, and the problems. Blacklisted contractors should be ignored, but the ones who have worked well with the BBMP for many years should be considered."

Citizens and BBMP officials received the comment with raised eyebrows.

However, a UDD official said, "The reason for forming a company to independently handle the waste was because BBMP and the contractors had failed. Now bringing in contractors will make matters worse. So far, nothing has been finalised and work will happen only after the session."

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> BBMP official

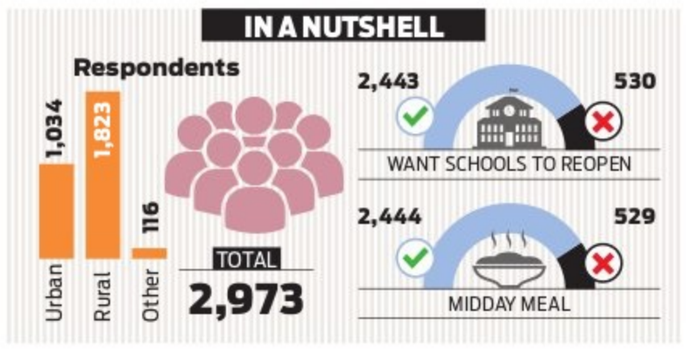
File photo of a garbage collection truck | EXPRESS

FLYING COLOURS

University Grants Commission member Prof M K Sridhar presents a certificate to a graduate during the 24th annual convocation of Ramaiah Institute of Management (RIM) in Bengaluru on Thursday

'Midday meals as crucial as classes'

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA @Bengaluru



A state-wide survey has revealed a greater demand from people for reopening of schools from classes 1 to 5, and resumption of hot cooked meals and hot milk scheme.

The survey, conducted by the Makkala Nade Shaleya Kade, a forum of teachers, students and other stakeholders, received 2,973 responses, a large chunk of which were from rural areas (61 per cent).

The forum found that more than 80% of the respondents — both urban and rural — favoured opening of schools and restarting of midday meals.

Of the 1,034 urban and 1,823 rural respondents, 78% and 85% respectively, were in favour of reopening of schools. The response was similar both in urban (78%) and rural (85%) areas for reopening of lower primary grades.

While 85% of rural respondents favoured resumption of midday meals and hot milk in schools, it was 76% among urban respondents.

The study also revealed that across the gender divide, male and female respondents responded roughly the same. While 83.52% males supported school reopening, 79.89% females did so. For midday meals, 84.68% male respondents and 78.15% female respondents supported the scheme.

"Rural areas usually have smaller schools, with students and teachers staying close by and the risk of opening them is very low. The government must immediately reopen all classes following health protocol, such as masking and physical distancing," said the researchers.

Should there be cases in schools, the institute should be closed for the quarantine period, they added. "These decisions are best taken by local governments and school development and monitoring committees," they said.

Teacher education institutes throw norms to the wind

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA @Bengaluru

A large number of substandard, dysfunctional Teacher Education Institutions (TEI) are functioning as commercial entities, with no adherence to the most basic norms and standards, thereby calling for a complete overhaul of the Teacher Education System, a study by Azim Premji Foundation has revealed.

The study, covering 35 private TEIs across 13 districts in five states, found institutional and academic corruption in them. While TEIs were granted licences to run teacher education programmes, based on fulfilment of NCTE norms, the study found that 26 out of 29 TEIs did not have the required number of teacher educators. Shockingly, only one out of the 29 institutes had a good faculty-student ratio.

Private institutes deliberately adopt corrupt practices to under-recruit faculty. They don't have dedicated faculty for specific subject areas, retain part-time faculty who teach in multiple institutes, coerce faculty to appear as full-time faculty during inspections, pay faculty less than their payroll salary, appoint faculty without required qualifications, the research found.

As for adherence to basic curricular requirements that are needed to run the programme, there was clear neglect. Almost all private TEIs allowed students with shortage of attendance to appear for examinations. More than 60% of the TEIs allowed students who had not completed their school internships to appear for examinations. And at least 70% of them had an average attendance of students that was below 80%.

Subject practicums were not conducted at all in more than 30% of the institutes. Action research was unheard of in most and curriculum laboratories were not available in more than 50% of them. Beyond these quantifiable parameters, the researchers found that educational quality was much worse, as widely observed in their interviews of the faculty and teachers.

"These qualitative responses...underline how various malpractices, driven by commercial motives, generate a toxic institutional environment," said the researchers. Clearly, even the very basic requirements of faculty, curriculum and instructional facilities for a sound teacher education system are thoroughly compromised, they added. If education has to improve, teaching has to improve and there is no way around this, say the researchers, pointing to the importance given to teachers' role in the Draft National Education Policy 2019.

City doctors put Yemeni blast victim back on his feet

IFFATH FATHIMA @Bengaluru

FOUR years after his leg was damaged by a bomb blast, 37-year-old Kasim is able to walk without support again, thanks to doctors in Bengaluru who used 3D printing to accurately assess the type and extent of his injuries.

Kasim, a Yemeni national, had a fused hip and shortened left leg as a result of the injuries he suffered in the blast in 2018 and the 23 surgeries that followed. "After the incident, I suffered from depression. I had to use prosthetics for my left leg so that it would touch the ground and I needed crutches to walk. I could not even use a wheelchair to move around because I couldn't bend my hip properly to sit. Nobody was willing to give me a permanent job due to my disability. Doing simple things such as cooking, cleaning, bathing or even sitting became a huge task," he said.

His friend, who had undergone knee replacement surgery at Aster RV Hospital in JP Nagar a year ago, referred him. Doctors there assessed Kasim's condition and decided to use 3D printing technology. "Kasim had lost the entire ball and socket of his hip and the remnant was fixed to his hip, due to which no movement was possible. 3D printing technology helped us get a three-dimensional view of the injured area and map out the best way to approach the damage part, identify landmarks and structure in the deranged anatomy and accurately plan the fixation and rebuilding of the hip structure," said Dr J V Srinivas, lead consultant for orthopaedics at Aster RV Hospital.

On February 2, they performed a complex four-hour hip reconstruction surgery using specialised equipment. This was followed by rehabilitation during which he relearned to use his leg. His hip can move with ease, helping him be as independent as he used to be.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

19th March: Yesterday I said planets don't affect life on earth. Since Jupiter is the planet of the week, let me use this as an exception to the rule. So great is Jupiter's gravitational pull that it draws many of the comets and other rogue bodies that could otherwise hit Earth. So Jupiter is definitely a major influence for good!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
Your aim must be to get back to first principles in preparation for a period which will be one of the most important in your life. Such long-term planning may not be in character, but is no less desirable for that. In fact, I think it's a practice you've taken on as your own.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Allow nobody to convince you that other people are out to do you down, or that you do not have what it takes to win through. Circumstances are uncertain, but the truth of the matter is that you are still on the right track. Not only that, but a family surprise is brewing.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Take any hold-ups or frustrations in your stride. Events are still moving fast, perhaps faster than you expected only a short while ago, and you can afford a brief delay. You also need to take new feelings on board and work out what they mean.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
If you can hang on to the feeling of well-being that has worked so well for you in the past, you will be doing yourself a big favour. As usual your timing will be spot on. It is other people who are out of step. But then, what's new? You're often ahead of the game.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Emotional or family matters seem to be past their critical stage unless partners are still out of sorts. However, it will be a fairly straightforward matter to take steps to safeguard your long-term happiness. For a start you can make the most of your irresistible charm.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
Contradictory planetary influences have been at work for some time now, although current pressures are not as tough as in the past. You are better placed than most to deal with intractable family issues. A friend might have the best idea of what's going on.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
You are about to discover perfect opportunities to advance on the work front, although the offers which come your way may at first sight seem to provide little in the way of professional potential. The key to your success lies in the wider context of what is taking place around you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Misguided people often react with disapproval to your unusual sense of humour. There are times when you might be advised to hold your tongue rather than risk causing offence. You may have to speak your mind today - but try not to offend.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
A whole plethora of favourable planetary aspects has made this a week relatively free from unpleasantness and hassles - just as long as you have stuck to the straight and narrow. Only you know what you must do now to get your material affairs in order.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
You must now work harder than ever to battle against feelings of personal inadequacy or insecurity. Rise above the murky depths which seem to fascinate other people. And do whatever you can to give fresh impetus to a flagging relationship.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
There are certain ties and involvements that must be causing concern. As a rule, handle partners with kid gloves unless you are prepared to deal with minor emotional crises. You see, it's awfully easy to stir up hidden emotions at this stage in the lunar cycle.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
This is a good time for money matters, now that planets are building bridges between the angle of your chart governing financial transactions and that ruling your home. Before the final move, consolidate all previous gains. Be wise and build on your experience.

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Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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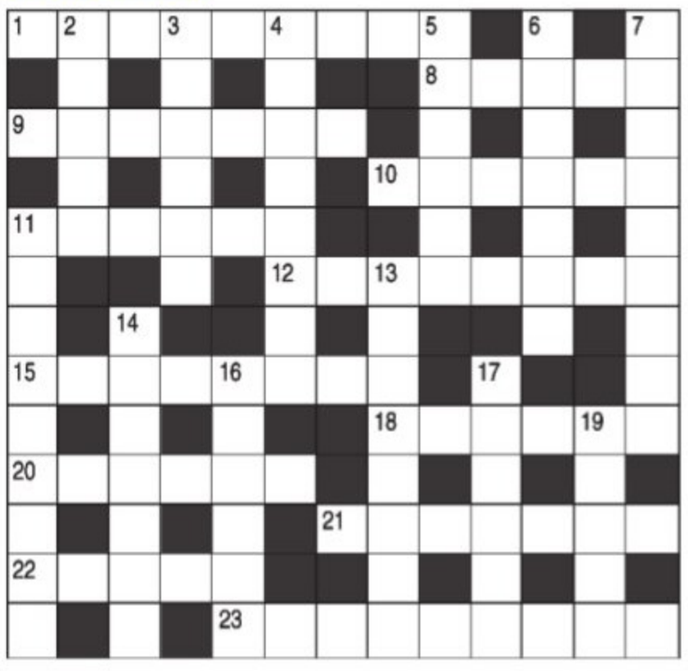

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1 Moderate team peter out (9)
8 I get gloomy losing my home (5)
9 Sailors love to skylark, it's clear (7)
10 Check on oarsman's support (6)
11 Support the Spanish project (6)
12 All made the day before Roy changed quarters (8)
15 Aversion is stated another way (8)
18 Talk about the foreign dwelling (6)
20 The aim in an attempt to be fashionable (6)
21 He is out to make a hit (7)
22 There's nothing sinful about her (5)
23 War is seen to produce fatigue (9)

DOWN

2 It dies at the end of three months (5)
3 Supply lines (6)
4 Not the main courses (8)
5 One of two or one in three perhaps (6)
6 She has one real potential (7)
7 Fell in love but became discouraged (4,5)
11 Great loss of pride? Not I (9)
13 One who works with a will (8)
14 A spare man (7)
16 He upsets the warden (6)
17 Share out in rota perhaps (6)
19 Vessels were wrecked on the point (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Seminar, 4 Third, 7 Gash, 8 Plimsoll, 10 Roadmender, 12 Carole, 13 Madrid, 15 Going cheap, 18 Primates, 19 Miss, 20 Reeve, 21 Damages.

Down: 1 Sugar, 2 Massacre, 3 Ruling, 4 Temperance, 5 Idol, 6 Deluged, 9 Ameliorate, 11 Briefing, 12 Creeper, 14 Indeed, 16 Poses, 17 Dice.

JUMBLE By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

DOOTU
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NDEAAG
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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon

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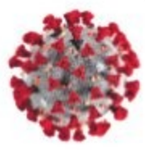
Govt hospitals gear up for second wave

State begins preparing hospitals, re-hiring contract health staff to combat a possible surge



FOUR MORE CLUSTERS IN CITY

- A Kerala returnee in Sahakarnagar developed symptoms and was found positive. Four of his contacts at his apartment tested positive.
- A family in BEL Layout got themselves tested after they attended a wedding where one person was positive.
- Two people from a family in Chikkabommasandra tested positive, after which six of nine family members tested positive.
- Fifteen girls at a Malleswaram hostel tested positive after a girl who returned from Davanagere developed symptoms. Hostel has 37 girls and 85 boys studying in different colleges. Contact tracing has begun.

RANJANI MADHAVAN @Bengaluru

WITH the emerging second Covid wave keeping them on their toes, state officials have instructed government hospitals to upgrade their capacity to handle a surge in patients.

Government hospitals in Bengaluru, including the Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute's Victoria Hospital, which was the nodal hospital during the first wave last year, are gearing up to handle the increasing caseload.

"We have 160 beds in the Trauma Care Centre and will increase it to 300 by adding beds in the C block of Victoria Hospital. This will include beds with high-flow nasal oxygen and ICU," said Dr C R Jayanthi, Dean and Director of BMCRI. "We need to increase beds as we have to run non-Covid services simultaneously. The burden will increase so we plan to request the state government for more staff, including doctors, nurses and D-group workers."

Other hospitals, too, plan to request the government for more staff. Many were recruited on contract in September last year, but were let go later on as cases reduced.

A health worker collects a sample from a passenger at Majestic Bus Stand in Bengaluru on Thursday | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

The Sir CV Raman General Hospital has been asked to reserve 100 of 250 existing beds for Covid patients. These include oxygen beds. If high-risk Covid patients increase, they will shut down their operation theatre to depute anesthetists and other ICU specialists for treatment, said Dr H D R Radhakrishna, medical superintendent of the hospital.

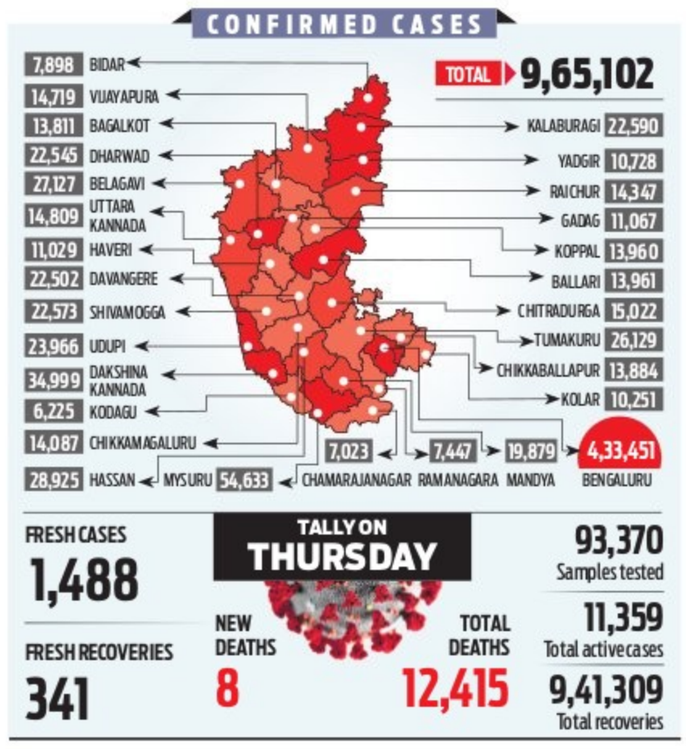
"Bed allocation depends on demand. If the caseload rises, beds for non-Covid services will decrease. Contract staffers who were let go earlier will be called back for six months," Dr Radhakrishna added.

At KC General Hospital in Malleswaram, 106 beds, including six in ICU, were set aside for Covid till now. This has already been increased to 70 general beds with oxygen and 50 ICU beds, in preparation for rising cases, said hospital medical superintendent Dr B R Venkateshaiah.

"We are requesting the government to recruit specialists, including physicians and anesthetists, on contract for ICU management," Dr Venkateshaiah added.

Dr Thrilok Chandra, Commissioner for Health and Family Welfare, said that the central bed management system is in place from last year. He said the state government will take a call on bringing back the rule to reserve 50% beds in private hospitals for Covid patients.

"We have asked all government hospitals in and around Bengaluru, including taluk hospitals in KR Puram, Devanahalli and Hoskote, to prepare for an increase in Covid patients. Oxygen and ICU beds are available. The services of contract health staff, who were hired last year, will be continued. District hospitals are equipped to handle more patients," Dr Chandra said.



NINE HOURS AFTER JAB, MAN DIES IN BELAGAVI

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Belagavi

A 69-year-old man, who was a member of Kakati Gram Panchayat died on Tuesday, making it the seventh death after vaccination.

He was vaccinated in Kakati in Belagavi district on March 15 at 4 pm and was fine until 11.30 pm. After around 11.30pm he complained of abdominal discomfort, burning sensation, uneasiness in the chest region and was sweating. The man is said to be a chronic alcoholic. On March 16, at about 12 am he vomited and died an hour later.

The deceased man's family refused a post-mortem, according to the official bulletin. However, the district AEFI committee concluded that man's death was a coincidence and not related to vaccination and the cause of death was severe acute MI.

Health kiosks to be set up for smooth admissions: Min

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WHILE a decision has been taken to recruit resident doctors and paramedical staff on temporarily to overcome possible shortage, 200 ambulances will be deployed in Bengaluru, one in each ward, to ensure easy availability in emergencies. Health kiosks will be set up for Covid patients to ensure smooth admission, the minister said. "The heads of respective institutions will be held accountable for any lapse," he warned.

"We have learnt from the last one year how effectively we can handle the situation and there is no scope for any mistake. We have uniform, specific treatment protocols in place and we are hopeful that we will handle the situation and try to prevent a second wave in a big way, though our Technical Experts' Committee has given a report stating that a second wave may be coming."

5K Manipal students to be tested

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Udupi

A day after Manipal Institute of Technology campus was declared a 'containment zone', Udupi Deputy Commissioner G Jagadish on Thursday he instructed health officials to test about 5,000 students in the hostels located on the campus. As the students who have tested positive have been advised to isolate at home, the remaining students now have to undergo swab tests, DC said.

In a video message on Thursday, the DC said that cases were on the rise in Udupi since the beginning of March.

He also said that the number of cases reported from the Manipal campus of Manipal Academy of Higher Education in the last few days were worrying.

Of 33 cases reported in Udupi district on Tuesday, 27 were from MIT, Manipal and MAHE campus. Of 42 positive cases reported in the district on Wednesday, 26 were students from MIT, Manipal, he said.

He told *The New Indian Express* that he has already received assurance from MIT, Manipal Director Dr D Srikanth Rao that all cooperation will be extended by the institute in containing the spread of Covid-19.

MAHE Registrar Dr Narayana Sabhahit said that soon after MIT, Manipal campus was declared as a 'containment zone' on Wednesday, a decision was taken to hold online classes only and practical sessions in labs were postponed. Examinations have also been postponed, he said.

Centre approves state's request to up vax centres

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE Centre has approved Karnataka's request to increase the number of Covid Vaccination Centres provided the health facilities have the adequate facilities.

"Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has issued guidelines for government health facilities till the level of sub-health centres, to be made CVCs. To improve accessibility, private health facilities empanelled under Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PM-JAY)/Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS)/state health schemes may also be designated as CVCs," said Vandana Gurnani, mission director, National Health Mission, in the letter to Jawaid Akhtar, additional chief secretary, Karnataka Health and Family Welfare department.

The letter advised the state government to limit CVCs to health facilities.

North Eastern Railway — **Notice Inviting Tender**

Divisional Railway Manager (Commercial), Lucknow invites Open tender through E-tendering system on behalf of President of India from food and catering service providers for "Provision of Catering Services from Catering Stalls (Size - 8Lx6Bx9H) at different Platforms of **Gomtinagar Station**" for the period of 5 year, payment of EMD and Tender Fees is paying through net banking or payment gateway. **Details of Tender Notice No., PF No., Location, Stall No., Reserve Price, EMD and Cost of Bid Document :**

Tender Notice No.	PF No.	Location	Stall No./ Quota	Reserve Price (per annum)+GST Applicable (Rs.)	EMD Deposit (Rs.)
1-2021-C-54-GMU02-GTNR	01	Near OHE Poll No. 766/13	02	1,78,080/-	17,900/-
2-2021-C-54-GMU03(w)-GTNR	01	Between OHE Poll No. 766/13 & 15	03 (Women)	1,71,360/-	17,200/-
3-2021-C-54-GMU04-GTNR	2/3	Near OHE Poll No. 1014	04	1,71,360/-	17,200/-
4-2021-C-54-GMU08(w)-GTNR	4/5	Near OHE Poll No. 4015	08 (Women)	1,78,080/-	17,900/-
5-2021-C-54-GMU10-GTNR	06	Near OHE Poll No. 4011/A	10	1,71,360/-	17,200/-
6-2021-C-54-GMU12-GTNR	06	Near OHE Poll No. 4014/A	12	1,78,080/-	17,900/-
7-2021-C-54-GMU13-GTNR	06	Near OHE Poll No. 4015/A	13	1,78,080/-	17,900/-
8-2021-C-54-GMU14(w)-GTNR	06	Near OHE Poll No. 4016/A	14 (Women)	1,78,080/-	17,900/-

• **Cost of Tender Documents (Non-Refundable) :** Rs. 2,950/- (inclusive of GST @18%), • **Date and Time of Opening of Tender :** Upto 15.00 hrs. on 15.04.2021 (Thursday), • **Date and Time of Tender Closing :** On 14.00 hrs. on 15.04.2021 (Thursday), • **Validity of Tender :** 90 Days, • **Period of Contract :** 05 Years, • **Website Address :** www.ireps.gov.in

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POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule - 8 (1)] (For immovable Property)

Wherea The undersigned being the Authorized officer of the **Union Bank of India, Kasavanahalli Branch** (erstwhile Andhra Bank), Bengaluru, under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **17.02.2020** calling upon the Borrower **M/s GVR Constructions Represented by its proprietor Mr. Vasu G** residing at Flat No. 403, 4th Floor, Sparrow Nest Apartment no. 6 & 7, Anugraha Layout, Mahadevapura, Bengaluru - 560016 & **Mrs. P. Lakshmi Prathima** residing at Flat no. 403, 4th Floor, Sparrow Nest Appartment No. 6 & 7, Anugraha Layout, Mahadevapura, Bengaluru 560016, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice i.e. **Rs. 72,22,653.50/-** (Rupees Seventy Two Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Three and Fifty Paise Only) and interest & cost thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken the possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules 2002 on this **17th Day of March 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Kasavanhalli Branch** for an amount **Rs.72,22,653.50/-** (Rupees Seventy Two Lakhs Twenty Two Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Three and Fifty Paise Only) and subsequent interest & Cost Thereon. Amount paid, if any, towards the dues shall be adjusted at the time of final payment in the account.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

Description of Secured Assets:

All that part and parcel of the Plot No. 623, owned by Mr. Vasu G, situated at New Khata No.327/182/4/623, old house list Khata No.327/182/4 measuring 2440 Sq. ft. BBMP ward no. 56,16th E Cross, PAI Layout, Benniganahally, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bengaluru- 560016 & bounded on the: East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Plot No. 624 & 625, South by: Plot No.622.

Date: 17.03.2021
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Union Bank of India

ಪೌರಾಡಳಿತ ನಿರ್ದೇಶನಾಲಯ
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ಉಪಕಾನೂನು ಅಧಿಕಾರಿ ಹುದ್ದೆಯ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆ ನೇಮಕಾತಿಗಾಗಿ ಅರ್ಜಿ ಆಹ್ವಾನ

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that, my clients are intending to enter in to Agreements in respect of the Schedule Property with **1. SMT. LAKSHMI DEVAMMA,** W/o Late B.M. Venkatesh, Aged about 68 yrs, R/at No.554, 6th Main, 4th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010, **2. SRI. B.M. ANJANEYA @ ANJANEYALU,** S/o Late Munivenkatappa, aged about 66 yrs, R/at No.547, 2nd Main, 'A' Block, 2nd Stage, Near LIC Building, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010, who have represented to my client that they are the absolute owners of the Schedule Property.

Any Persons, financial institutions and statutory authorities who claim any right, title or interest of any nature in or any lien, charge or enforceable right in relation to the Schedule Property and/or has any objections of any nature to the aforesaid transaction should lodge such claim and /or objections in writing to the undersigned together with supporting documents within **Ten days** hereof, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist any my client would proceed to complete the transaction with the present owner thereof.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Item No.01 : All that Part and Parcel of the Agricultural land bearing **Sy no.122/1,** situated at Kommaghatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring **01 Acre 05 Guntas** and bounded on :
East by : Land belonging to Galiswamy,
West by : Land belonging to Poovaiah,
North by : Road,
South by : Land belonging to B.M.Anjaneyalu and Lakshmi Devamma.

Item No.02 : All that Part and Parcel of the Agricultural land bearing **Sy no.122/2** (Old Sy No.122) measuring **31 Guntas,** Sy no.122/4 (Old Sy No.122), measuring **38 Guntas** & Sy no.122/3 (Old Sy No.122), measuring **35 Guntas,** totally land measuring **02 Acres 24 Guntas,** situated at Kommaghatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, and bounded on :
East by : Thorehalla,
West by : Land belonging to Ramaiah,
North by : Land belonging to Kempaiah,
South by : Land belonging to Maranna.

Item No.03 : All that Part and Parcel of the Agricultural land bearing **Sy no.123/1,** (Old Sy No.123), measuring **01 Acre 14 Guntas,** situated at Kommaghatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on:
East by : Thorehalla,
West by : Land belonging to Ramaiah,
North by : Land belonging to Kempaiah,
South by : Land belonging to Maranna.

Item No.04 : All that Part and Parcel of the Agricultural land bearing **Sy no.123/2,** (Old Sy No.123), measuring **01 Acre 01 Gunta,** situated at Kommaghatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore and bounded on:
East by : Land belonging to Chowdappa,
West by : Land belonging to M.Krishnappa,
North by : Land belonging to M.Krishnappa,
South by : Land belonging to Muniyappa.

S.A. MARUTI PRASAD, Advocate,
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Bidar South MLA Bandeppa Kashempur demanded that the government set up a Film City in Bidar, similar to the one being proposed for South Karnataka. Speaking in the Assembly on Thursday, he said Bidar is home to many beautiful locales, ideal for film shooting. He said the State Government had proposed a light and sound show at Bidar Fort in 2008. "But, nothing has been done so far."

₹17,000 CRORE LYING IDLE IN ACCOUNTS, PATIL TELLS GOVT

Congress leader gives break-up, cites CAG report, demands recovery of funds

THE ₹17K-CR CLAIM

Total Funds in 76 PD accounts:
Rs 4,421.56 cr

Scheme Funds unspent for 3 years:
Rs 2,741.52 cr
(In PD accounts)

Funds in 540 accounts belonging to various departments:
Rs 2,500 cr
(Approx)

Funds in accounts of boards, corps etc beyond stipulated time:
Rs 10,000 cr
(Approx)

Total funds outside mainstream accounts of State:
Rs 17,000 cr
(approx)

ANUSHA RAVI @ Bengaluru

SENIOR Congress leader HK Patil on Thursday told the government that more than ₹17,000 crore of taxpayers' money is currently outside the State's mainstream account.

Speaking on Budget 2021-2022, Patil quoted a Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) report filed in February 2021 on Finance Accounts that said about ₹4,421.56 crore of unspent balance was lying in 76 Personal Deposit (PD) accounts under the control of District Commissioners and various State Government officials, till March 2020.

A copy of the report, signed by Girish Chandra Murmu, Comptroller and Auditor General of India, that is with The New Indian Express, also highlights that under Article 286A of the Karnataka Financial Code, all unspent balances under PD accounts should be closed at the end of the financial year.

Congress leader H K Patil speaks in the Assembly on Thursday

Of the total funds unspent, ₹2,741.52 crore were scheme funds left unused for three years.

"Apart from money in PD accounts, over ₹2,500 crore is lying unused for years in about 540 accounts belonging to various departments. As Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, we had even informed the government that about ₹10,000 crore is lying for years in accounts of boards and corporations beyond their stipulated time. When I was RDPR minister, I found that an account with a private bank attached with the department had parked ₹650 crore, and after much struggle, we returned it to the treasury. The interest alone on that amount was ₹220 crore, which the bank hasn't returned to date. These funds never get audited or accounted for in the mainstream account. What stops the government from recovering these idle funds? I demand a white paper on these funds," Patil told the assembly on Thursday.

Patil's demand comes at a time when the government is struggling with funds, leading to a revenue deficit budget. Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa is expected to respond to Patil's question during his reply on the budget debate.

AGAINST DIVESTMENT

Employees of Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) protest against the government's decision to divest its stake in LIC through an IPO, in Bengaluru on Thursday | VINOD KUMAR T

Just 4 Cong MLAs in House, bill to dismantle Krishna authority passed

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE Karnataka Assembly on Thursday passed a bill to repeal the Karnataka Krishna Basin Development Authority Act, 1992, in effect dismantling the Krishna Basin Development Authority.

The bill was tabled by Minister for Home, Law and Parliamentary Affairs, Basavaraj Bommai amid protests from JDS MLAs over funds and was passed via voice votes with just 4 of over 60 MLAs from the Congress present in the House. The bill will, however, not affect any previous operation of the authority. The bill to repeal the authority was brought in since its primary functions are presently being handled by Krishna Bhagya Jala Neeravari Nigama and Karnataka Neeravari Nigama.

The act was passed in 1992 to establish a single administrative power-centre to undertake planning, execution, operation and maintenance of all irrigation project and works in the Krishna river basin. The authority was also in charge of promoting schemes for irrigation, water supply and drainage, control navigation in the Krishna river and its tributaries, canals and channels. It also handled resettlement and rehabilitation of the people affected by the construction of the projects and works in the Krishna basin and undertook measures for protection and improvement of the environment. The government has now dismantled it since all works of the authority have been taken over by other boards.

Consider quota in pvt sector jobs too: Siddu to Centre

ANUSHA RAVI @Bengaluru

KARNATAKA legislators on Thursday expressed worry that the Union government's plans to disinvest and privatise nationalised assets would eventually kill the purpose of reservation - social justice.

Leader of the Opposition Siddaramaiah pointed out that nationalised assets - PSUs, government enterprises, holdings, businesses worth more than Rs 1.5 lakh crore were being disinvested and would affect people seeking employment in them under reservation.

"The government of India should introduce reservation in the private sector too, especially when even government utilities and undertakings are being given to corporates. If not, this trend will kill reservation and with it, the concept of social justice," Siddaramaiah said.

Siddaramaiah's statement came during N Mahesh's debate on the budget. Mahesh, the lone BSP MLA in the Karnataka assembly, said that the clamour for reservation from all communities would force a situation where the unequal will be compelled to compete with equals. "Reservation is not a poverty alleviation program but is a matter of representation," Mahesh said while referring to the Union government's decision to give 10% reservation for economically weaker sections within forward class communities. Mahesh worried that privatisation of national assets will affect reservation in jobs for Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes.

Leader of Opposition in the Assembly Siddaramaiah makes a point in the House on Thursday

Congress MLA HK Patil too said that over 4 lakh government jobs in Karnataka were lying vacant and close to 80% of these vacant jobs should have been filled up with Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe and Other Backward Classes candidates under reservation.

"Where is social justice when the government refuses to give jobs that are lying vacant to Dalits, STs and backward classes candidates who are eligible? Instead, the government is passing orders to outsource that work to private firms," Patil said.

IN THE HOUSE

Khader has a beef with ununiform cow law

Congress MLA UT Khader said the anti-cow slaughter law should not be restricted to a few states, and instead, like many laws, should be implemented uniformly across the country. Speaking in the Assembly on Thursday, he said the Centre, which is insisting on 'One Nation, One Election', should bring in uniformity on several issues. "When that is the case, why is anti-cow slaughter law not implemented across the country?" he asked.

Quarry blasts: Siddaramaiah seeks judicial probe

CLP leader Siddaramaiah demanded a probe by a sitting High Court judge into the recent explosions at stone quarries in Shivamogga and Chikkaballapura districts. He said when the first blast happened in Shivamogga, killing six people, the CM had assured that action would be taken. "But within a month, there was a blast in Chikkaballapura. Six more people died. There is a need for a probe by an independent agency.

After CM meets protesting JDS MLAs, night plan called off

Miffed with Speaker Vishveshwara Hegde Kageri for allegedly not giving them ample time to bring up issues of funds being stalled for ongoing works in their constituencies, JDS MLAs protested in the well of the House. With discussion on the budget taking up all business hours, Kageri attempted to cut short discussion time of the JDS on drawing the government's attention to stalling of funds. Alleging that they weren't being given a chance to voice their concerns, the MLAs began protesting and remained in the House even after it was adjourned. It was only after the CM returned to the assembly to placate them that the MLAs withdrew the protest. "We planned to stage an all-night protest by staying back in the assembly but CM personally spoke to us and assured us that funds would be released," MLA CS Puttaraju said.

'Students, farmers need telecom towers, net link'

Bengaluru: Sagar MLA Hartal Halappa (BJP) said there was a shortage of telecom towers in his constituency and other parts of Malnad region, causing hardship to farmers and students attending online classes. Raising the issue during Zero Hour, the MLA said students in Sagar had recently protested, seeking better mobile connectivity. Besides, farmers need smartphones and internet connectivity to apply for documents and to avail of various benefits.

Govt mulls conducting KPSC exams online

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HOME Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Thursday said the State Government was thinking of conducting the Karnataka Public Service Commission (KPSC) exams online.

Replying to a question by BJP MLC Pradeep Shettar in the Council, Bommai, on behalf of Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa, said the KPSC had suspended staff involved in the First Division Assistant (FAD) question paper leak case. "We have discussed with the Staff Selection Commission and are contemplating conducting KPSC exams online, on the lines of other public service commissions and staff selection commission, which hold exams in two-tier, objective multiple options and detailed answers," Bommai said.

Replying to another question by MLC S Ravi, Bommai said there was a proposal before the government to implement eight-hour shifts for constables and head constables at police stations. "More than 15,000 police staff have been recruited in the past two years, but there are 23,000 more vacancies. We are recruiting and once the vacancies are filled, shift duty will be implemented," he added.

Meanwhile, Congress MLC UB Venkatesh questioned the status of the service road on Outer Ring Road near PES College in Bengaluru and said that both sides were being used by people for other purposes. Bommai replied that people were dumping debris, and using the road for vehicle repair and other works. "We have cleared the service roads and asphalted them, and have stopped people from using them," he said.

Bommai also said that there were 540 transformers on footpaths in Bengaluru, which will be shifted in a phased manner.

JDS smells a rat in approval for nursing colleges

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@ Bengaluru

JDS members on Thursday staged a protest in the Legislative Council, demanding a House Committee probe into alleged irregularities in sanctioning permission to open nursing and allied health science (AHS) colleges.

BJP MLC N Ravikumar said permission was given to 62 nursing and 40 AHS colleges in 2020-21, despite them lacking required infrastructure and teaching faculty.

Ravikumar said there was corruption, and JDS members supported him, demanding a House Committee probe. Sudhakar said a task force would submit its report in three months.

But JDS members were firm. When Sudhakar said a panel can be set up if the findings of the task force are not satisfactory, JDS MLCs entered the well of the House and shouted slogans. Eventually, the Chairman had to adjourn the House.

HUMAN-ANIMAL CONFLICT

Enough of monkeying around, sterilise or just shoot!

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@ Bengaluru

THE man-animal conflict reached a new level in the Karnataka Assembly on Thursday, with the government planning to control the monkey menace through large-scale sterilisation. If not, a BJP MLA wanted the right to shoot down the offending species for destroying crops, and well, for just being monkeys.

BJP MLA from Theerthahalli Araga Jnanendra pointed to the menace of monkeys and other animals across the Malnad region. "Animals come out of the forest and destroy farmers' crops within a few minutes. Why cannot the forest department keep animals in their vicinity? Compensation is not paid for wild animals destroying crops or killing and injuring humans. Let the government pay scientific compensation or allow us to shoot these animals," he thundered, and demanded sterilisation of monkeys.

The government is adopting the Himachal Pradesh model of sterilisation of male monkeys

Minister Jagadish Shettar, responding to legislators from Malnad on behalf of Forest Minister Aravind Limbavali, said the government was adopting the Himachal Pradesh model of sterilisation, which had been successfully implemented in that state. Shettar said it was a tried-and-tested model, involving sterilisation of male monkeys. Veterinary doctors have been trained to implement the sterilisation programme, he said. It includes procuring cages to trap monkeys, taking them to veterinary colleges for the sterilisation procedure, keeping them under observation for two or three days, and then releasing them into the forest.

This apart, the government plans to develop a monkey park on the outskirts of Shivamogga city and a rehabilitation centre for monkeys in Sagar forest division in Shivamogga district, for which a sum of Rs 25 lakh had been allotted, he added.

Other legislators raised issues of deer, pigs and other animals, and demanded an increase in compensation for destruction of crops, and injuries sustained in conflict situations.

Mallamma, Turvihal & Managuli on Cong list

BJP core panel meeting to pick bypoll candidates

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AFTER a string of bypoll defeats, the Congress has woken up to the grim reality that it needs the first-mover advantage, and announce its candidate list. The Congress was traditionally the last party to release the list. Curiously, the party has released the name for Sindagi, though the election schedule for this seat is yet to be announced. The candidate, Ashok Managuli, is the son of former JDS MLA M C Managuli, who passed away recently, resulting in the by-election.

The party announced Mallamma Rao, wife of former MLA Narayana Rao, as the candidate for Basavakalyan, and is banking on her two sons, Gowtham and Rahul, to work hard for her victory. Her candidature was a foregone conclusion, after a majority of party leaders opted for her on compassionate grounds. Narayana Rao passed away last September due to Covid. In Maski, the Congress has opted for BJP turncoat Basanagouda Turvihal, who had contested on a BJP ticket in 2018 against Prathapgouda Patil, then in the Congress. The bypoll was necessitated when Patil switched to the BJP.

The JDS, meanwhile, announced Syed Hazrath Ali Khan as the candidate for Basavakalyan, and analysts were quick to react that a Muslim candidate would help the BJP here. The JDS has not announced candidates for Maski or Belagavi so far.

Basanagouda Turvihal

Ashok Managuli

Mallamma Rao

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BJP General Secretary in-charge of Karnataka Arun Singh arrived in Bengaluru on Thursday evening, and got busy meeting party leaders at Kumara Krupa Guesthouse.

He will participate in the BJP's core committee meeting to decide on candidates for bypolls to Maski and Basavakalyan assembly seats, and Belagavi Lok Sabha seat. BJP President Nalin Kumar Kateel, CM BS Yediyurappa and other leaders will take part in the meeting.

Once the candidates are shortlisted, Singh will carry the names to the Central Election Committee in Delhi to finalise the contestants, who will get the B-Form to contest. Curiously, even the name of Prathapgouda Patil, the man who switched from the Congress to the BJP in Maski, necessitating the election, will have to satisfy the procedure before he is given a ticket, said a party spokesman.

Arun Singh will also visit the Akhila Bharatiya Pratinidhi Sabha meeting scheduled to be held this weekend, where RSS Sarsanghchalak Mohan Bhagwat, Sarkaryavah Suresh Bhaiyyaji Joshi and other leaders like Dattatreya Hosbale, Mukunda CR, Manmohan Vaidya, Suresh Soni, Krishna Gopal, V Bhagaiah and others will be present. Joshi's three-year term has just concluded, and the ABPS will elect his successor on Saturday.

Sarkaryavah is an extremely important position in the RSS, and careful preparations are under way to select a suitable successor to Bhaiyyaji Joshi.

To provide sustainable employment and to upgrade skills of those in the rubber and allied industries, the first-ever centre of excellence for rubber technology in the southern region of the country has been established in Mysuru city. The centre is coming up on the JSS Science and Technology University campus

PARTIAL RELIEF

IMA SCAM: ₹4.92 CRORE PAID TO 3,243 CLAIMANTS

75% of the claimants were verified, process ongoing: Spl Officer

Attach Baig's property, HC tells State

The state informed the court that it would wait for the CBI's final report to decide on attaching the property of former MLA Roshan Baig, who is an accused. However, the court said that if the state waits for the CBI's report, the property may not still be under Baig's name, and directed the Additional Chief Secretary to reconsider its stand and take appropriate steps to attach his property.

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AS many as 3,243 of the total number of people who had invested in the I Monetary Advisory Group of companies received at least a portion of their deposits, the Karnataka High Court was informed on Thursday.

Harsh Gupta, Special Officer and Competent Authority (CA) for IMA and other scams under the Karnataka Protection of Interest of Depositors in Financial Establishments Act, 2004, told a division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice MGS Kamal, that of ₹5.3 crore available with the CA, ₹4.92 crore was paid to eligible depositors, with a maximum of ₹50,000 per claimant.

Placing the status report before the court, Gupta told the bench during the hearing of PILs related to the scam, that identification and verification of 45,000 of a total of 65,258 claims was done using a name and photo matching software, and 10% of these claims were randomly selected and manually verified. Around 20,000 claims where the match percentage with the software was below 75%, were verified through manual matching of name and photo of claimants with IMA records.

Verification of claims has almost been completed, except for cases where the applicants have not completed the e-attestation by producing the original of the uploaded documents before the jurisdictional tahsildar. Only about 300 claims have been rejected due to submission of wrong details. Such applicants have been informed and permitted to submit correct details, Gupta told the court.

'Lakhs sent to accounts of CD-gate suspects'

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THE Special Investigation Team, probing the CD-gate case, has found that lakhs of rupees were deposited in the bank accounts of eight suspects. A kidnap case, which was filed by the father of the woman in the purported CD, in Belagavi, was transferred to the RT Nagar police on Thursday. He has alleged that his daughter was kidnapped from her house on CBI Road. The case was later handed over to the SIT by R T Nagar police after registering an FIR.

"Since the investigation is ongoing, we do not want to reveal more details. We are tracking the movements of a couple of suspects who are still at large and some others are being questioned," a senior police officer said.

The SIT also searched the house of a woman in RT Nagar and found some valuables in her rented house, including cash, SIM card and gadgets. They recorded statements of the building owner and neighbours.

While searching the house of another suspect in Basaveshwaranagar, the SIT found a receipt for purchase of gold worth Rs 18 lakh, a laptop and a pen drive. The officials also searched for the original video (unedited) in their houses, but couldn't find it. The officials have sent the seized gadgets to the FSL to retrieve deleted data, if any.

I'M BEING FRAMED, SAYS SCRIBE

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR
@Belagavi/Bengaluru

THE prime suspect in the CD-gate, Naresh Gowda, released a video statement on Thursday claiming that he has no connection with the CD and is being targeted. However, he said he will appear before the SIT to give his statement after a week. "I know the woman in the video and she has even visited my house a couple of times. Ramesh Jarkiholi is targeting me and influencing the SIT to frame me in the case. I can share all my account details with the SIT since I have not made any illegal transactions. I am still paying instalments of ₹15,000 every month to repay my loan," he said in the video.

Gowda added that the woman had sought his help as he works in a news channel. "She told me her life was under threat and informed me about the CD. But I asked her to provide proper evidence to expose the incident and she had agreed too. However, she never turned up after that. When I came to know that my name had cropped up in the case, I decided to go away from the city as I knew someone was trying to frame me," he added.

A file picture of AAP members holding a protest over the alleged sleaze tape | EXPRESS

Meanwhile, RTI activist Bheemappa Gadad from Belagavi filed a complaint with Cubbon Park police in Bengaluru on Thursday demanding the police to immediately file a suo motu FIR against Jarkiholi. Speaking to *TNIE*, Gadad said, "I have appealed to the police to file an FIR against Jarkiholi within the next 24 hours or I will file Public Interest Litigation in the high court urging for an FIR in the case."

He said it was unfortunate that the government constituted an SIT based on the letter written by Jarkiholi, who is actually an 'accused' in the CD case. "There are examples of police filing several cases suo motu against many farmers and protesters who launched agitations to get justice. Why can't the police do the same in the CD issue?" he asked.

Gadad feels the CD-gate could be brought to a logical end only when an FIR is filed against the accused by the SIT and all the people involved in it are brought to book.

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Branch Office : No.86/2, Hospet Road, BALLARI - 583102.
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Sale of Rice Mill Units at Siruguppa and Industrial Assets at Ballari on "As Is Where Is Basis" Through e-Auction

The following assets which were taken over under section 29 of SFCs Act for recovery of dues by KSFC are available for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS"** through e-auction.

1 A) M/s. Gopalakrishna Rice Industries, Devalapura, Siruguppa Tq., Ballari Dist.
Partners : 1) Sri N. Ravi babu 2) Sri N. Satish 3) Sri G. Bapaiah 4) Smt N. Sreedevi 5) Smt G. Radhika 6) Smt N. Rani
Dues as on 10-03-2021 : Rs. 153.77 Lacs
Land and Building: All that part and parcel of the property consisting of land together with building at Bearing Sy No.182 B/2, Devalapura(V) Siruguppa Tq , Ballari Dist. **Measuring**: 1.74 Acers with Factory, Building, Godown cum Office Room, **Bounded by:** East: Approach Road in Sy No.180 A/1, West: Sy No. 182 A/1, North: Sy No.180 A/1, 181 & 182 B/1. South: Sy No.182 D/1.
Reserve Price: 110.25 Lakhs **EMD: Rs. 11.05 Lakhs**
Date of Inspection : 24-03-2021 from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm

1 B) M/s. Gopalakrishna Rice Industries, Devalapura, Siruguppa Tq., Ballari Dist.
Partners : 1) Sri N. Ravi babu 2) Sri N. Satish 3) Sri G. Bapaiah 4) Smt N. Sreedevi 5) Smt G. Radhika 6) Smt N. Rani
Dues as on 10-03-2021 : Rs. 153.77 Lacs
DETAILS OF ASSETS, Plant & Machinery: 3TPH Binny Rice Mill Plant, Steam Generator, 24TP Drier plant, 2TPH husk Fired Boiler, 192 Channel TCS Color Sorter, German Boge Make Screw Air Compressor, Milltech Pneumatic Sheller, Vibrator, Whitener, Polisher & Bucket Elevator, etc,
Reserve Price: 79.10 Lakhs **EMD: Rs. 7.91 Lakhs**
Date of Inspection : 24-03-2021 from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm

2A) M/s. Datta Narasimha Swamy Rice Industries, Siruguppa. Ballari Dist.
Partners : 1) Sri S. Naganatheshwara. 2) Sri S. Sathyanarayana Shetty
Dues as on 10-03-2021 : Rs. 57.41 Lakhs
Land & Building : All that piece and parcel of the property consisting of land together with buildings. Land bearing Sy. No. 36 / B / 2, Door No. 774 (36/B3), bearing present Khatha No. 307/96-97, Devalapura (V), Siruguppa Tq. Ballari Dist. Land Measuring 1.43 Acres with the following boundaries : North by : Sy. No. 17, South by : Kenchana Gudda to Siruguppa Road, East by : Sy.No. 36/B followed by Road & Sy.No. 35/1. West by : Sy.No. 36/B/1 & Passage
Reserve Price : Rs. 142.45 Lakhs. **EMD : Rs. 14.25 Lakhs.**
Date of Inspection : 24-03-2021 from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm

2B) M/s. Datta Narasimha Swamy Rice Industries, Siruguppa. Ballari Dist.
Partners : 1) Sri S. Naganatheshwara. 2) Sri S. Sathyanarayana Shetty
Dues as on 10-03-2021 : Rs. 57.41 Lakhs
Plant & Machinery : 3TPH Suri Rice Mill with Accessories, Motors, Steam Boiler, Paddy Drier, 75 KVA Kirloskar DG Set, SKF Paddy Cooker & Drier, Bunkers, Etc.
Reserve Price : Rs. 70.14 Lakhs. **EMD : Rs. 7.10 Lakhs.**
Date of Inspection : 24-03-2021 from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm

3) Sri Sai Bricks , Proprietor : Sri T. Ravindra, Ballari.
Dues as on 10-03-2021 : Rs. 10.22 Lakhs
Details of Assets : Land & Building : Industrially converted land Bearing Sy. No. 640/9F/9/5 (Part), Ward No. 30, Vaddara Nagappa Colony, Near Cantonment Railway Station, Hospet Road, BALLARI. Measuring 9227 Sq. Ft. N.A. Land with Factory. Sheds, Labour Quarters, Office, Etc.
Reserve Price : Rs. 128.63 Lakhs **EMD : Rs. 12.87 Lakhs**
Date of Inspection : 25-03-2021 from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm

In respect of Sl. No. 1A & 1B, 2A & 2B first preference will be given for bidding for both land, building and plant and machinery. Second preference for bidding for plant and machinery only.
e-auction will commence from 27-04-2021 at 11 am and closes by 05-05-2021 at 1-00 pm
Note : The last date for payment of EMD and to obtain bid key is before 4.00 pm on **04-05-2021**
Terms and Conditions of Sale : a) Terms and Conditions of Sale through e-auction are detailed on website **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** b) Interested persons are advised to visit the aforesaid website.
This notice is also a 30 days statutory notice for sale of secured assets to the Owners / Borrowers. For more details on participation of e-auction, please contact e-procurement helpdesk No. **080-22234115 / 22230960** or take on hands on training at **e-procurement Cell, Sri Aravinda Bhavana, 4th Flooor, Sri Mythic Society Compound, Nrupathunga Road, Bengaluru - 560001.**

Place : Ballari
Date : 18-03-2021
Sd/-
Asst. General Manager

LOST

My client **Mr.DANIEL. L**, son of Lourduswamy, residing at No.366, Dandu Street, behind St. Theresa School, Begur Post, Begur, Bengaluru-560068, has lost original "ABSOLUTE SALE DEED" No.1299/2006-07, Dated: 18-04-2006 on 15-03-2021.

Sd/- Advocate and Notary K V MANI, BENGALURU.

Sd/- K V MANI, B.A., LL.B., Advocate and Notary Govt of India, Reg No. 21613, No. 23/1, Hosur Main Road, Adugodi, BENGALURU-560030, Dated: 17/03/2021.

IN THE COURT OF XX ADDL. CITY CIVIL COURT AT BANGALORE (CCH. No. 32)

O.S. No. 2935/2020

STATE BANK OF INDIA, Rptd. by its Chief Manager, Small and Medium Enterprises Centre (SMEC), #20, Badagandu Sangha Building, Girls High School Street, Kumarapark, Bangalore-560020. Rptd. by its Chief Manager

Vs

Mr. Y. Ramesh Babu

SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANT

To, Mr. Y. Ramesh Babu, No.15, Deepak Floor Mill Road, Teachers Colony, Nagashetti Halli, Bangalore-560094.

Also at: C/o High Land Estates, 29, Yamuna Bai Road, Madhavnagar, Bangalore-560001.

Whereas the Plaintiff has filed the above case against Defendant, a Suit for recovery of sum of Rs. 2,55,675 (Rupees Two lakhs Fifty Five Thousand and Six Hundred and Seventy Five only) along with current and future interest rate of 11.55% p.a. You are hereby summoned to appear before this Hon'ble Court either in person or though the pleader **on the 16.04.2021 at 11.00 a.m.** CCH-32, failing which the matter will be heard ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 16.03.2021.

By Order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore

Advocate for Plaintiff: GKM Associates
No.205, 2nd Floor, Ahuja Chambers, No.1, Kumara Krupa Road, Bangalore-560001.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client **Vijaya**, wife of H.R. Krishnamurthy, R/at No. 757, 1st Main, Hebbal HA Farm Post, Bangalore-560024, is the sole and absolute owner of the schedule property. My client has lost the following original document of the schedule property while in transit on 01.02.2021 at about 10.25 hours to 13:45 hours.

a) Original Sale Deed dated 20.02.1986 registered as Document No. 2309, Book-1, Volume 3887, Pages 141 to 147 in the office of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore North Taluk.

In this regard my client has lodged a complaint i.e., Lost Article Report bearing No.027971/2021 before the Crime Branch, Bangalore City Police. The finder of the said original documents may kindly deliver the same to me and the finder will be suitably rewarded through me.

Public at large may take Notice that my client will not be held any kind of responsible in the event of unauthorised and illegal use of the said documents by any third party.

SCHEDULE

Kaneshumari No.51 and 63, Panchayath katha No.78, situated at Hebbal Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring East to West 25 feet and North to South 61 feet and on the western side East to West 5 feet and North to South 20 feet, and bounded on East by Chikkapapanna and children house, West by Krishnamma house, North by 5 feet common passage, South by V.P. Road.

Sd/- **SRIRAM,** Advocate
No.3, Police Station Road, Hebbal, Bengaluru-560024. M-9341845567

IN THE COURT OF THE SMALL CAUSES JUDGE AT BANGALORE

S.C.NO.652/2020 SCCH-26

Bank of Baroda (earlier Vijaya Bank),
A Body Corporate Constituted Under The Banking Companies (acquisition And Transfer of Undertakings) Act-V of 1970,having Its Head Office At Mandvi, Baroda, In Gujarat State and One of its Branch Offices Amongst Other Places at Chickpet Branch, No.18, Rangamaruthi Plaza, R.T. Street Chickpet, Bangalore-560 053, Represented By Its Senior Manager, Shri. Ragavendra Kumar Mishra, S/o. Late Omprakash Mishra, Aged About 42 Years. ...Plaintiff

Vs

Mr. Nagesh S.N, ...Defendants

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT

Mr. Nagesh S.N, S/o. Late Nanjunda Setty, Aged About 50 Years, Proprietor, M/s. Rainbow Communication At 18/25-1 & 2, Prabhat Complex, K.G.Road, Bangalore 560009. **Also at :** No.991, 4th Cross, Ashoknagar, BSK 1st Stage, Bangalore-560050.

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 'A' READ WITH SECTION 151 OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

Whereas the Plaintiff Bank above named has filed the above suit against the Defendants for recovery of **Rs.1,88,151.00** (Rupees One Lakhs Eighty Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty One only) to the Plaintiff Bank along with future interest at the rate of **12.85%** and for other reliefs.

Take Notice that you are hereby directed to appear before this Court in person or through an Advocate/Pleader duly authorized by you, in this behalf, to defend in the above suit on **6th April 2021at 11.00 A.M.** in the fore-noon. In spite of this summons, if you fail to appear on that day, the above suit will be heard and decided experts.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court, this **18th day of February 2021.**

By order of Court
Assistant Registrar
Court of City Civil Judge, Bangaluru

Advocate for plaintiff
Prashant N. Hegde Advocate,
No.24, 1st Floor, 1st Main Road,
Seshardipuram, Bangalore - 560 020

MOTHER DAIRY

(A Unit of: Karnataka Co-operative Milk Producers' Federation Ltd)
G.K.V.K. POST, YELAHANKA, BANGALORE-560065
e-mail: purchase@motherdairykmf.in
Tele. No. 080-22179006, Fax: 080-28462652

KMF

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Mother Dairy, a unit of KMF Bangalore is inviting E-Tenders for Supply of following items to Mother Dairy,B.lore & NICP., Bellary.

A. IFT.NO.MD/PUR/ E-Proc T-184/2020-21 Date:10-03-2021

I.Supply on ARC Basis: 1) SFM Corrugated Boxes-3.20 lakh Nos

II.Supply on Rate contract Basis:1) Nandini 50/40 ml cone E-flute Boxes-3.5 Lakh Nos

B. IFT.NO.MD/PUR/ E-Proc T-181/2020-21 Date:10-03-2021

I. Supply on Annual Basis: 1) Nandini/Amul 120ml cones E-Flute Boxes-2 Lakh Nos **2)** Nandini/Amul 120ml Cones with sleeves-35 Lakh Nos **3)** Nandini/Amul 120ml Cone lids- 35 Lakh Nos **4)** Nandini/Amul 50ml Cones - 25 Lakh Nos **5)** Nandini/Amul 50ml Cone E-Fulte Boxes-1.5 Lakh NOS **6)** Nandini/Amul 30ml Cups-40 lakh Nos **7)** Nandini/Amul 30ml lids-40 Lakh Nos **8)** Nandini/Amul 30ml E-fulte Boxes-2 Lakh Nos **9)** Nandini/Amul 65 ml Lids-65 Lakhs Nos **10)** Nandini/Amul 65ml E-fulte Boxes-4.5Lakh Nos **11)** Nandini/Amul 1250ml Packs 2.5 Lakh Nos **12)** Amul 750ml Packs-10Lakh Nos **13)** Amul/Nandini 2 ltr Packs-2 Lakh Nos.

The manufacturers, dealers or interested eligible tenderers are requested to participate on-line only. For further details, Tender documents can be downloaded from the website https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in from **17-03-2021** and submitted on or before **24-03-2021 & 29-03-2021** respectively upto **17.00 hrs.**

Sd/- Director, Mother Dairy

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಅಂತರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ವಿಮಾನ ನಿಲ್ದಾಣ ಪ್ರದೇಶ ಯೋಜನಾ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ದೇವನಹಳ್ಳಿ

ನಂ. 333/1, 1ನೇ ಮಹಡಿ, ವಿ.ಜಿ. ಕಾಂಪ್ಲೆಕ್ಸ್, ಸೂಲಿಬೆಲೆ ರಸ್ತೆ, ದೇವನಹಳ್ಳಿ ಟೌನ್, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ – 562 110.

ಸಂ. ಬಿಐಎಪಿಎ/ಲೆ.ಶಾ/03/2020–21/1766 ದಿನಾಂಕ: 18–03–2021

ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಇ-ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ

ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಅಂತರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ವಿಮಾನ ನಿಲ್ದಾಣ ಪ್ರದೇಶ ಯೋಜನಾ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರದಲ್ಲಿ ಲಭ್ಯವಿರುವ ಹೆಚ್ಚುವರಿ ನಿಧಿ ರೂ. 45.60 ಕೋಟಿಗಳನ್ನು ಒಂದು ವರ್ಷದ ಅವಧಿಗೆ ಮೀರದಂತೆ ನಿಶ್ಚಿತ ಠೇವಣಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಹೂಡಿಕೆ ಮಾಡುವ ಸಲುವಾಗಿ ಅರ್ಹ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಕೃತ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ಗಳಿಂದ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮೂಲಕ UDD/2020-21/ AUCTION 1980-1, UDD/2020-21/ AUCTION 1980-2, UDD/2020-21/ AUCTION 1980–3 ರಲ್ಲಿ ಇ–ಹರಾಜು ಪ್ರಕ್ರಿಯೆ ಕೈಗೊಳ್ಳಲಾಗಿದ್ದು, ಆಸಕ್ತಿಯುಳ್ಳ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಕೃತ ಬ್ಯಾಂಕ್‌ನವರು **ದಿನಾಂಕ: 25.03.2021** ರಂದು ಸಮಯ ಸಂಜೆ **4.00** ಗಂಟೆ ಒಳಗೆ ಇ–ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್‌ನಲ್ಲಿ ಅಪ್‌ಲೋಡ್ ಮಾಡಬಹುದು ಹಾಗೂ ಹೆಚ್ಚಿನ ವಿವರಗಳಿಗೆ ವೆಬ್‌ಸೈಟ್ ವಿಳಾಸ: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** ನಲ್ಲಿ ಪರಿಶೀಲಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು.

ಸಹಿ/–
ನಗರ ಮತ್ತು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಯೋಜನಾ ಜಂಟಿ ನಿರ್ದೇಶಕರು
ಹಾಗೂ ಸದಸ್ಯ ಕಾರ್ಯದರ್ಶಿಗಳು,
ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಅಂತರಾಷ್ಟ್ರೀಯ ವಿಮಾನ ನಿಲ್ದಾಣ ಪ್ರದೇಶ
ಯೋಜನಾ ಪ್ರಾಧಿಕಾರ, ದೇವನಹಳ್ಳಿ

ವಾಸಾಸಂಇ/ಜಾಹಿ/ಬೆಂಗ್ರಾಜಿ/410/2020–21

ಕೋವಿಡ್-19. ಆತಂಕ ಬೇಡ; ಮುನ್ನೆಚ್ಚರಿಕೆ ಇರಲಿ.

ಮಾಸ್ಕ್ ಧರಿಸಿ | 6 ಅಡಿ ದೈಹಿಕ ಅಂತರ ಪಾಲಿಸಿ | ಕೈಗಳ ಸ್ವಚ್ಛತೆ ಕಾಪಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಿ

Tumakuru Smart city Limited, Tumakuru

Sri Mahalakshmi Arcade, S.S Puram Main Road, Coffee Board Colony, Tumakuru-572102
Website: www.smartcitytumakuru.in Phone: 0816-2278190 email: office@smartcitytumakuru@gmail.com CIN:U74999KA2017PLC099774
No:TSCL/AS/CFO/CR/130/2020-21 Dt:18.03.2021

E-Auction Notification

Tumakuru Smart City Limited invites / offers quotes from eligible Nationalized/Public sector Banks / Regional Rural Banks (RRBs)/ Private sector schedule commercial banks having branches at Tumakuru city jurisdiction for investment of surplus funds by way of Callable term Deposits, out of it's A & OE and Project funds. As per the policy of Government of Karnataka fund will be invested. Eligible Banks can apply and download the Tender Document through e-Procurement portal www.eproc. karnataka.gov.in.

1. The e-auction Tender document will be available on above website from **18.03.2021** to **24.03.2021** upto 16.00 Hrs in www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in only. **2.** Pre-bid meeting on **22.03.2021** at 11.00Hrs in Tumakuru Smart City office. **3.** The last date of submission of Eligibility criteria is **24.03.2021** up to 16.00Hrs only. **4.** Date of Live bidding on **26.03.2021** as per e-Auction document. **Note:-** Any addendum and corrigendum will be published in the e- Procurement portal only. For more details contact e- portal Phone No.080-22340948 and TSCL office phone No.0816-2278190 & Mobile No.9448660651 or 9538954590 during office hours only.

Sd/- Managing Director
Tumakuru Smart City Limited, Tumkur.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The public are hereby informed that our client proposes to purchase the residential property being portion of Municipal BBMP Khata No.276-254 presently bearing new Municipal BBMP Katha No.120/121/1, Ward No.150 (earlier known as Ward No.86), Marathahalli Sub-Division, Ammani Bellandur Khane, Bangalore, measuring about 26,827 sq. ft. (hereinafter, "**Schedule Property**"), from its present owner, **Epsilon Ventures Private Limited**, having its registered office at 4A, Lavelle Regency, 54 Lavelle Road, Bangalore – 560 001 and corporate office address at No. 2, Walton Road Off Lavelle Road, Shanthala Nagar Bangalore 560 001.

Any person/s having any claims over the Schedule Property or having any objections to the proposed transaction may contact the undersigned within **10 (Ten) days** from the date of this publication. Claims and/or objections received after the said period of **10 (Ten) days** will not be binding on our client and our client will proceed with the purchase of the Schedule Property on the basis that no person has any claim on the Schedule Property and/or any objection to the purchase of the Schedule Property by our client.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that residential property being portion of Municipal BBMP Katha No.120/121/1, (earlier portion of BBMP Khata No.276-254), presently Ward No.150 (earlier known as Ward No.86), Marathahalli Sub-Division, Ammani Bellandur Khane, Bangalore, measuring about 26,827 sq ft i.e., residentially converted land being portion of Survey No.121/1, situated at Ammani Bellandur Khane Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, and bounded as under:-

East by : Portion of land in same Sy.No.121/1 sold to Mr.Vivek Chawla;
West by : Road;
North by : Land in same Survey No.121/1 belonging to Smt. Chandramma; and
South by : Property bearing Survey No.121/2A belonging to Mr. Sunder Genomol and Mr. Paras Suri.

Mythri Shenoy
MD&T Partners, Advocates,
367, 14th Cross, Sadashivanagar,
Bangalore-560 080, Karnataka.
Phone No. 080 4152 0682 / 3 / 4
Email: mythri@mdtpartners.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to the General Public that my clients **M/s.Fairy Food Products (Pvt) Ltd., registered office at No.47, "Eureka", 1/F, Church Street, Bangalore,** has lost the **Original Allotment Letter bearing No. IADB/4690/16088/ 1983-84, dated 28/02/1984, issued by KIADB in respect of the schedule property.** If any person/s or any bank or any financial institution having any charge, lien, right, title or interest over the Schedule Property should inform the undersigned with the relevant documentary evidence in person **within 15 days** from the date of publication of this notice failing which the title of the Schedule Property will be presumed to be clear and marketable and my client will go ahead with the purchase of the property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing **E-Khata No. 150300301700500219, Property ID: 10/7,** (earlier known as Plot No.22-A of Doddaballapura Industrial Area, formed out of Sy.Nos.96, 97 & 98 formed and developed by KIADB), situated at Veerapura Village, Kasaba Hobli, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District containing by admeasuring East : 153.34 meters, West : 131.73 meters, North : 83.97 meters and South : 104.55 meters, in all measuring 13,295 Sq. meters and bounded on:

North by : Private Land
South by : KIADB Road No.9
East by : Plot No. 22-B,
West by : KIADB 8th 'A' Cross Road

R. Shailesh Kumar, Advocate,
SUSHEEL ASSOCIATES, Law Firm,
No.F-1, First Floor, 'Harshita Arcade', #138, 1st Main, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore-560 020
Mobile : 9845009771

Bangalore
Date : 18-03-2021

KARNATAKA HOUSING BOARD

3rd Floor, Cauvery Bhavan, K.G.Road, Bengaluru - 560009.

Short Term Tender Notification (Through E-Procurement portal)

Karnataka Housing Board invite tenders through E-procurement from the eligible contractors who are empanelled in Karnataka Housing Board & also willing to empanel in KHB.

Name of work : Construction of Minority Welfare Department Moulana Azad Bhavana (2nd phase) at Sheshadripuram, Bengaluru.

- Tender reference Number **: KHB/2020-21/BD/work_indent 804 & IFT No. 132/2020-21 Date: 16-03-2021**
- Amount put to tender **– Rs. 5,83,14,407/-**
- Last date for submission of bid **- 01-04-2021 up to 4.00 PM**

For further information, contact below mentioned office address:
Executive Engineer, Karnataka Housing Board,
Cauvery Bhavan, Bengaluru
Phone No. 080-22273511 / 080-22100077
web site : https://khb.karnataka.gov.in, https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that, my clients are intending to enter in to Agreements in respect of the Schedule Property with **SMT. LAKSHMI DEVAMMA,** W/o Late B.M. Venkatesh, aged about 68 yrs, R/at No.554, 6th Main, 4th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560010, who has represented to my client that she is the absolute owner of the Schedule Property.

Any Persons, financial institutions and statutory authorities who claim any right, title or interest of any nature in or any lien, charge or enforceable right in relation to the Schedule Property and/or has any objections of any nature to the aforesaid transaction should lodge such claim and /or objections in writing to the undersigned together with supporting documents within Ten days hereof, failing which it will be presumed that no valid claims or objections subsist any my client would proceed to complete the transaction with the present owner thereof .

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Item No.01 : All that Part and Parcel of the Agricultural land bearing Sy no.116, situated at Kommaghatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring **01 Acre 26 Guntas** out of 02 Acres and bounded on :

East by : Halla,
West by : Portion of Land bearing Sy. No.116 sold to Sri.Galiswamy,
North by : Land belonging to Smt.Lakshmi Devamma,
South by : Halla.

Item No.02 : All that Part and Parcel of the Agricultural land bearing Sy no.123/1, situated at Kommaghatta Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring 18 Guntas and bounded on :

East by : Halla,
West by : Land belonging to Smt.Lakshmi Devamma,
North by : Land bearing Sy no.116,
South by : Land bearing Sy No.122.

S.A. MARUTI PRASAD, Advocate,
No.65/1, II Cross, IV Main, Gandhinagar,
Bangalore-560009. Ph : 9341270072

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Dt.16-03-2021

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Office of The Deputy Director,
City Central Library, Central Zone, No. 35, 2nd Cross, K H Road, Bengaluru-560027. E-mail: **cclczone@gmail.com**

No. CCL/CZ/A3/03/LFS/617/2020-21 Date: 17.03.2021

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

(through e-procurement portal)

Tenders are invited through e-procurement for the year 2020-21 rate contract basis for one year from eligible firms/companies for supply of library furniture items to City Central Library, Central Zone, Bengaluru, for their requirement. For three year experienced registered firms/companies should participate through e-procurement portal of Government of Karnataka. Tender submission details: **(1)** Tender amount is **Rs 200.00 lakhs.** (two lakhs only) as order will be given based on our requirement. **(2)** Last date and time for submission of tender: **24.03.2021 upto 4.00 PM (3)** Date and time of opening of technical bid: **25.03.2021 at 5.00 P M (4)** Date and time of opening of financial bid: **Will be intimated (5)** Tenderer should submit the tender through e-procurement only. **(6)** Website : **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**, Helpline No. **080-25501216/227, (7)** The EMD of **Rs 4.00 lakhs** shall pay through e-procurement by following modes: **(a)** Online payment: 1. Credit Card, 2. Debit Card, 3. Net Banking. **(b)** Offline payment: 1. NEFT (National Electronic Fund Transfer) 2. OTC (Over The Counter) ICICI bank payment. **(8)** Additional information can be had from the office of the Deputy Director, City Central Library, Central Zone, Bengaluru 560027 during office hours. Ph: 080-22240920. **(9)** The Deputy Director having powers to cancellation or postpone the tender without assigning any reason.

Sd/-
Deputy Director, Central Library, Central Zone
Bengaluru

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client Akram Khan is the owner of Site No. 20, PID No. 56-167-20/67/2/43, Ganesh Mandir, Jaraganahalli Village, Kanakapura Road, Bangalore South Taluk, with Katha in his name and the original Sale Deed bearing Doc. No. 2101/75-76, dtd. 21.07.1975, Doc. No. 1981/1962-63, dt. 19.06.1962, Doc. No. 4022/1974-75 dt. 01.08.1974 registered in Office of the Sub-Registrar, Bangalore South Taluk, was lost on 17.03.2021, and not traceable till now and police complaint dated 17.03.2021, Lost Report No. 075586 and 076625/2020-21, was issued by the police.

Any person in possession of the said document or having any claim to the same may represent in this regard to the under signed within 10 day from the date of this Notice, failing which it will be taken that there is no claim or objection whatsoever in that regard.

SUNDARESHA, Advocate
INNOVA LAW SOLUTIONS
F-205, 1st Floor, 25/26, J.C. Complex Annex, Sirur Park Road, Seshadripuram, Bengaluru - 560 020. Ph: 98456 97218

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e-TENDER NOTIFICATION (DOMESTIC BIDDING) CONTRACTS DEPARTMENT

Tender Enquiry No.: HO (Contracts) / Structural Design / MEP Services / Donimalai / 2021 / 241 Dated: 19.03.2021, MSTC Ref. No.: NMDC / HO / 139 / 20-21 / ET / 886

E-tenders in two bid systems are invited from Indian bidders for **"Providing Engineering Consultancy for Structural Design and MEP services for Multi-storied Monolithic Construction of Residential Quarters at Donimalai Township, Bellary (Dist.), Karnataka".**

The tender document including Pre-Qualification requirement can be viewed and/or downloaded from NMDC's website **https://www.nmdc.co.in,** MSTC web site: **https://mstcecommerce.com and CPP** Portal: **www.eprocure.gov.in** from **19.03.2021** to **16.04.2021.** For accessing the bid document from NMDC web site; on-line registration is required at **https://www.nmdc.co.in/nmdctender/default.aspx.** For further clarification, CGM (Contracts), NMDC Ltd., Hyderabad can be contacted on fax 040- 23534746 / 23531828, email: **contracts@nmdc.co.in**

CGM (Contracts)

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E-AUCTION/SALE NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR SALE OF PROPERTIES MORTGAGED TO THE BANK UNDER SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST (SARFAESI) ACT 2002

Whereas, the Authorized Officer of The Jammu & Kashmir Bank Ltd in exercise of powers conferred under SARFAESI Act, 2002 and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **02.11.2019** calling upon **Mr. Mohammed Mustafa and Mohammed Ashfaq R/o B-1, 02,BDA Fat ,Austin Town, Bangalore-560047** for payment of its dues aggregating to Rs.48,09,679.00 (Rupees Forty Eight lacs Nine thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Nine only) as on 31.10.2019 together with future interest and other cost and charges within a period of 60 days.

Whereas, the Authorized Officer has taken possession of the mortgaged properties mentioned hereinafter under section 13 (4) of SARFAESI Act 2002 on **03.03.2020.** Consequent upon failure by the borrower to repay the Bank's dues, the Authorized Officer in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the Act read with rule 8 to 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 notified the sale of the Secured Asset for realization of the dues on **"as is where is and/or as is what is and whatsoever there is, basis"** and **"no complaint basis"** condition.

Whereas, I the named Authorized Officer in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the Act read with rule 8 to 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 again notifies the sale of the Secured Asset detailed herein for realization of the dues on **"as is where is and/or as is what is and whatsoever there is, basis"** and **"no complaint basis"** condition.

Name of the Borrower(s)/ Mortgagor(s)/ Guarantor(s)	1. Mr. Mohammed Mustafa and Mohammed Ashfaq S/o Mohammed Nawab R/o B-1, 02 ,BDA Flat ,Austin Town, Bangalore-560047
Amount in Demand Notice (excluding interest and other expenses from 01.11.2019)	**Rs. 48,09,679.00** (Rupees Forty Eight Lacs Nine Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Nine only)
Amount Due on 09.03.2021 (Excluding interest from 01.03.2021 and other expenses from 01.11.2019)	**Rs. 53,46,005.00** (Rupees Fifty Three Lacs Forty Six Thousand and Five only)
Description of the mortgaged asset (Put on sale)	**1.Equitable mortgage of all that piece & parcel of the immovable residential property bearing flat No 301 in 3rd Floor measuring 1100 sft of super built up area put up in property forming part of Apartment Building known as "Elite Shine" together with 265 sft of undivided share ,right, title, interest and ownership in the land comprising there in and one car parking space in the stilt floor of the apartment building known as "ELITE SHINE" constructed in the immovable property bearing No. 30 Sy No/75/3 situated at Vajarahalli Village Uttarahalli Hobli Bangalore South Taluk Bangalore Rural District and together with common area ,common facilities,common open space ,common stair case,common water and sanitation ,separate electricity ,easement rights ,other areas of common use and appurtenances thereto with right to pass through all the common passages leading to the main road and free for ingress and egress at all times and entitled for all common areas and amenities and the entire land property is bounded on the ; East by : Flat No 303 West by Road North by:Sy. No 73/2 South by ;Site No 31 And the entire land property measuring on the : EAST to WEST :85 feet NORTH to SOUTH : 50 feet; Totally measuring in all 4250 squarefeet or thereabouts.**
Reserve Price	Rs. 54.00 Lacs (Rupees Fifty Four Lacs Only).
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs 5.40 Lacs (Rupees Five Lacs and Forty Thousand only)
Bid Increase Amount	Rs. 0.50 Lacs (Rupees Fifty thousand only)
Name of the Branch	THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR BANK LIMITED, Business Unit, Frazer Town Bangalore-560005.
Authorized Officer/Designation	**Mr. Farid Ahmad Khan / Executive Manager**
Last Date & Time of submission of Bid, Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) and Documents	**03.04.2021** at 4.00 PM
Date and Time of e-Auction	**05.04.2021** from 2.30 PM to 3.30 PM
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) & Other Remittance/s detail/s by RTGS to Account Number	THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR BANK LIMITED BUSINESS UNIT: Frazer Town, Bangalore-560005 IFSC CODE: JAKA0FRAZER ACCOUNT NO.: 0746072000000001 in the name of RTGS Inter Bank Receipts

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1) The E-Auction is being held on **"AS IS WHERE IS" and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATSOEVER THERE IS BASIS and NO COMPLAINT BASIS".** To the best of knowledge and information of the Authorized officer, there are no encumbrances on the properties, except specifically disclosed herein. However, the intending bidders should make their own independent enquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of property/ies put on auction and claims/rights/dues affecting the property, prior to submitting their bid. The Authorized Officer/Secured Creditor shall not be responsible in any way for any third party claims/rights/dues. The bidders shall satisfy themselves as to the description, condition or accuracy of the details regarding the property/ies given hereinabove.

2) It shall be the responsibility of the bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the asset and specification before submitting the bid. The physical inspection of property/ies put on auction will be permitted to interested bidders on Bank's working days between 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM up to **03.04.2021** with prior permission of the Authorised officer. Inspection of the documents relating to the properties will be permitted to the interested bidders or their authorized representatives at **Frazer Town,** Bangalore, between 2.00 PM to 4.00 PM upto **03.04.2021.** The bid price shall be absolute in terms and should not be linked to any reference. Conditional bids shall be rejected.

3) The interested bidders shall submit their offer along with EMD through website https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net (the user ID and password can be obtained free of cost by registering name with "https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net") through their login ID and Password. The EMD 10% of RESERVE PRICE shall be payable through NEFT/RTGS (EMD remittance details given above) on or before **03.04.2021 at 4.00 PM.** Please note that Cheques/Demand Drafts shall not be accepted as EMD amount.

4) After Registration by the bidders in the web-site, the intending purchaser/ bidder is required to get the copies of following documents uploaded in the web-portal before last date of submission of the bid(s) viz. i) Copy of the NEFT/RTGS challan. ii) Copy of PAN card/Aadhar Card iii) Proof of identification (KYC) viz. copy of Voter ID Card/Driving License/ Passport etc. iv) Copy of proof of address, v) Duly Filled up & **Signed Copy of Annexure II & III attached to the Tender form,** without which the bid is liable to be rejected.

5) The Interested bidders who require assistance in creating login ID and password, uploading data, submitting bid, training on e-bidding process etc., may avail online training on E-Auction from M/s E-Procurement Technologies Ltd. (Auctiontiger), Ahmadabad. Contact Number :079-68136880/68136837 Mobile Number: 9265562821/18 ,9374519754 Contact Person : Mr. Chintan Bhatt Mob No:9978591888 (O) 079-68136844, E-mail id: chintan.bhatt@auctiontiger.net/support@auctiontiger.net, Mr.Vijay Shetty Mob No: 9619002431, E-mail id: vijay.shetty@auctiontiger.net/ support@auctiontiger.net, Mr. Rikin Brahmaxatriya Mob No: (+91) 63518 96833/ 99133 26773 E-mail id : rikin@auctiontiger.net , and for any property related query may contact Branch Head BU Frazer Town Banglore Mr. Rocus John (cell# +91-9164112150) LandLine :080-41203888/25490082 Email: frazer@jkbmail.com.

6) Only buyers holding valid User ID/Password and confirmed payment of EMD through NEFT/RTGS shall be eligible for participating in the online auction process.

7) The interested bidders who may have submitted their **EMD not below the 10% of reserve price** through online mode before **4.00 P.M. on 03.04.2021** shall be eligible for participating in the e-auction. The e-auction of above properties would be conducted exactly on the scheduled date & time as mentioned above by way of inter-se bidding amongst the bidders. The bidders shall improve their offer in multiple of amount mentioned under the column "Bid Increase Amount" against the Property. In case bid is placed in the last **5 minutes** of the closing time of the e-auction, the closing time will automatically get extended for **5 minutes** (subject to unlimited extensions of **5 minutes** each). The bidder who submits the highest bid (not below the reserve price) on closure of online auction shall be declared as successful bidder and a communication to that effect will be issued through electronic mode which shall be subject to approval by the Authorized Officer and Secured Creditor.

8) The Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) of the successful bidder shall be retained towards part sale consideration and the EMD of unsuccessful bidders shall be refunded. The Earnest Money Deposit shall not bear any interest. The successful bidder shall have to deposit **25% of the sale price,** adjusting the EMD already paid, within **48 hours** of the acceptance of bid price by the Authorized Officer and the balance **75%** of the sale price on or before **15th day of the sale** or within such extended period as agreed upon in writing by and solely at the discretion of the Authorized Officer. In case of default in payment by the successful bidder, the amount already deposited by the Bidder shall be liable to be forfeited and the property shall be put to re-auction and the defaulting bidder shall have no claim/right in respect of property/amount.

9) The prospective qualified bidders may avail online training on e-auction from **M/S E-Procurement Technologies Ltd.** prior to the date of e-auction. Neither the Authorized Officer/Bank nor M/s. e-procurement technologies Ltd shall be liable for any network problem and the interested bidders to ensure that they are technically well equipped for participating in the e-Auction event.

10) The purchaser shall bear the applicable stamp duties/additional stamp duty/transfer charges, fees etc. and also all the statutory/non statutory dues, taxes, rates, assessments, charges, fees etc. owing to anybody. The successful bidder shall have to bear any tax on account of the sale over and above the bid amount.

11) The Authorized Officer is not bound to accept the highest offer and the Authorized Officer has the absolute right to accept or reject any or all offer(s) or adjourn/postpone/cancel the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof.

12) The bidders are advised to go through the detailed terms and conditions of e-auction available on the website of **M/S E-Procurement Technologies Ltd. https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net** before submitting their bids and taking part in e-auction.

13) Participation in the bid shall be deemed to be acceptance of the terms and conditions specified in the e-auction by the bidders/intending purchaser.

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER RULE 8 (6) READ WITH RULE 9 OF THE SARFAESI ACT, 2002

The borrower(s)/guarantor(s)/mortgagor(s) are hereby notified to pay the sum as mentioned above along with upto date interest and ancillary expenses before the date of e-auction and get the property redeemed, failing which the property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and costs.

Ref. No: JKB/ZOM/IAPMD/2021-150
Date: 17.03.2021
Place: Bengaluru

(Farid Ahmad Khan)
AUTHORIZED OFFICER

REGIONAL PLANT RESOURCE CENTRE

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FOREST & ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
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R&D:21/2020 No.634/RPRC Dated: 18.03.2021

TENDER CALL NOTICE

Sealed Tenders are invited from reputed registered (Producers/Authorized Agents/ Distributors/ Dealers/ Individuals/ Nurseries) having PAN/GST for supply of Orchid Plants. The list of varieties, size, quantity of plants to be supplied along with the detail technical specifications, other terms and conditions, mode of payment formats can be downloaded from RPRC website.(**www.rprcbbsr.in**). Interested parties may submit their tender only through Speed Post/Registered Post/ Courier Service which should reach the undersigned on or before dt.**09.04.2021 (before 5.30 P.M)** positively. Incomplete tenders and tender documents received after the due date and time will not be considered. The undersigned reserves the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reasons thereof.

Sd/-
Administrative Officer

KARNATAKA STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY

Mukthagangotri, Mysore - 570 006

NO: KSOU/SMS-01-23/2020-21 Dated: 18.03.2021

E-Procurement Short TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tender is invited in **"Two Cover System"** (Technical Bid & Financial Bid) by **The Karnataka State Open University** as per the **K.T.P.P Act-2000** from the printers who have at least five years of experience in printing, possessing superior technical quality offset / web offset printing machines to print and supply different Courses / Blocks of Self Study Material during the Academic year 2020-21.

Estimated cost of Printing	EMD	Last Date & Time for Downloading and Uploading the tender document	Tender Opening Date
₹03 Crore	₹06 Lakh	Date: 20.04.2021 Within 5 PM	Pre Bid: 26.03.2021 Technical Bid: 22.04.2021 Financial Bid: 30.04.2021

The interested printers may get the details from the website https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in and pay the required Processing Fees. Further information may be obtained from the office of Registrar, KSOU, Mysore–06 (**Office Ph No's : 0821-2500984, 2512471**).

Sd/- Registrar

DIPR/DDMYS/MCA/1152/2020-21

The Centre has released Rs 9,311 crore to Andhra Pradesh under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban. Under the scheme, so far over 110 lakh houses have been sanctioned in the country, of which 20,28,899 are in AP, said Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri

Naidu, Narayana move Andhra high court

Duo seeks to quash FIR filed against them, calls move 'a tool of political vendetta of ruling party to silence dissent'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Vijayawada

TDP chief N Chandrababu Naidu and former minister P Narayana on Thursday filed similar petitions in the Andhra Pradesh High Court, urging it to quash the FIR filed against them by the Crime Investigation Department (CID) in the alleged Amaravati land scam. Terming the FIR illegal, unsustainable and a mala fide case of regime revenge, the former chief minister said in his plea that it was "simply a tool of political vendetta of the current ruling party (YSRC) and its members to silence any dissent in the State."

Former advocate general and co-accused in the FIR, P Narayana, before Justice CH Manavendranath Rai. He informed the Justice that the CID had searched the residence and offices of Narayana and urged him to hear the pleas on Friday to which the judge agreed.

MLA Alla Ramakrishna Reddy arrives at the CID office, in Vijayawada on Thursday | PRASANT MADUGULA

Dammalapati Srinivas mentioned the petitions filed by Naidu and former minister

The CID had registered the FIR against Naidu based on a complaint from YSRC leader and MLA Alla Ramakrishna Reddy for allegedly facilitating alienation of assigned lands in the Amaravati capital region to benefit those close to him. It had summoned him for questioning on March 23.

Naidu, while narrating the sequence of events culminating in the announcement of Amaravati as the State capital, claimed "it was well known" that the region between Guntur and Vijayawada was one of the most probable locations for the new capital and no part of the information related to the process could be said to be "privileged or not publicly known" -- in a rebuttal to the allegation that privileged information was used by several TDP leaders and their associates to acquire land in the region prior to the announcement of the capital.

On the specific allegation of "criminal conspiracy" against him, Naidu submitted that GO No. 41 — from which stems the complainant's case -- was considered by the principal secretary and passed as per law.

Chances of relief bleak for Naidu and co: MLA

Vijayawada: On a day when TDP chif N Chandrababu Naidu knocked on the doors of the AP High Court appealing it to quash the FIR registered against him by the CID in connection with GO 41, Mangalagiri YSRC MLA Alla Ramakrishna Reddy, who is the complainant, exuded confidence that chances of relief are bleak for Naidu and co. Speaking to TNIE, Ramakrishna Reddy said there are judgements by the SC against quashing FIRs in different stages.

A nurse gets ready to administer the Covid vaccine at a government hospital, in Chennai on Thursday | R SATISH BABU

As Covid cases spike, TN's vax centres low on Covishield stock

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

AMID rising concerns of rapidly increasing Covid cases in the State, the urban community health centres (UCHC) and primary health centres (PHC), offering Covid vaccines, said that they were low on stock on Covishield, and that only Covaxin was available, as on Thursday. This even as Tamil Nadu reported close to 1,000 cases on the day. A UCHC staff in Perungudi said that the available doses of Covishield was being reserved for those who would return for their second jab. "Until yesterday, we were administering Covishield. It is only today that we have switched to Covaxin," said the staff.

According to the health bulletin issued by the Directorate of Public Health, as many as 989 new cases and nine deaths were recorded on the day, taking the State's tally to 8,63,363 and the toll to 12,573. Chennai alone reported 394 cases. With this, the active case count in the State have gone up to 6,222. Meanwhile, two more people tested positive for the UK variant, taking the total number of those infected by it to 15.

After a cluster was recently found at a school in Ammapettai near Thanjavur, many others have also tested positive for the infection, District Collector M Govinda Rao said. In another school in Kumbakonam, of the 100 tests conducted so far, one teacher and seven students also tested positive. The tests for the remaining 1,200 students would be carried out in the next couple of days. The school is also being closed for a week, said the Collector.

Health Secretary J Radhakrishnan, after inspecting the Covid Care Centre in Athipattu, spoke to the press and said that awareness programmes were being held in all the districts.

While some people took time to make an informed decision as they had come hoping to get a jab of Covishield specifically, a few others said that they were open to either. "My son did the research for me and sent me the address to get the vaccine. I'm okay with either of the two," said Arumugam (name changed).

IN THE RS

'Govts trying to ease workload on apex court'

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SUCCESSIVE governments have been trying to reduce workload on the Supreme Court and there were also views, suggestions and recommendations that the apex court in New Delhi can concentrate on Constitutional issues, while the four appellate benches can focus on appeals emanating from various high courts of those respective regions, the former IPS officer said.

Ramamurthy said the demand has been there for a while, and a positive decision has to be taken now as it aims to ease pressure on the apex court. Referring to how high court benches in different parts of states have made it convenient for litigants and legal functioning more effective, the MP said apart from easing pressure on the Supreme Court, setting up of apex court benches in four corners of the country would help litigants appeal in the top court.

"I request the Law ministry to take up the issue with the apex court for setting up of a Supreme Court Bench in Bengaluru, where you have all the infrastructure, judicial and other facilities, and is also easily accessible to all southern states," he added.

EXPRESS READ

Mahadayi row: JIC to inspect project site

Belagavi: A joint inspection committee (JIC) comprising representatives of Karnataka, Maharashtra and Goa, constituted as per the Supreme Court's orders to ascertain whether water was diverted via Kalasa nala by the state government under the Mahadayi project, will be visiting Kalasa-Banduri project site in Kankumbi in the district on Friday. The committe comprises Executive Engineer from Navilteerth Dam Krishnojirao, Assistant Executive Engineer of Water Resources Department in Goa M K Prasad and senior engineer from Maharashtra Water Resources Department Vijaykumar Thorat. ENS

Sudhakaran opts out

Kannur: The state Congress leadership's plan to see popular leader K Sudhakaran making a mass entry as the UDF candidate in Dharmadom almost ended on Thursday with local leader C Raghunath filing his nomination papers. Congress was aiming to project the contest against Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan at the national level. ENS

ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2021 DECIDE

EPS attacks DMK over 2G scam

Nagapattinam: The DMK has always remained in news for its corrupt practices and it scaled a new high in 2014 with its 'corruption in air,' Chief Minister Edappadi K Palaniswami said on Thursday, making a veiled reference to the alleged 2G spectrum scam, while campaigning in Nagapattinam and Mayiladuthurai on Thursday. ENS

'CPM doesn't need aid of communal forces'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Malappuram

A DAY after CPM general secretary Sitaram Yechury gave Opposition parties the ammunition by defending the state government's action at Sabarimala following the apex court verdict on women's entry, Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan tried to calm down the situation.

Pinarayi refused to comment on Devaswom Minister Kadakampally Surendran's statement that the incidents related to the temple should not have happened, but said the government would discuss the apex court's final order with all the people concerned.

"Now, the people and devotees are well aware of the fact that the matter is under the consideration of the Supreme Court. At present, there is no need for a debate on issues related to Sabarimala. The temple is being run normally and the rituals are conducted regularly. When the court pronounces the final verdict in the case, the government will discuss the order with all the people concerned before its implementation. Till then, the temple will be run normally," the CM said on the sidelines of the LDF's election campaign in Malappuram.

Former Chief Minister Oommen Chandy extends good wishes to Sivadasan Nair, who is contesting from Aranmula Assembly constituency on a UDF ticket, in Pathanamthitta on Thursday | EXPRESS

He slammed the Congress and the BJP for raising the issue for electoral gains. "The Opposition tried to use the Sabarimala issue before the local body elections, but the strategy didn't yield them any positive result," Pinarayi said.

Replying to questions on RSS ideologue R Balashankar's allegation of a CPM-BJP nexus in this elections, Pinarayi said the CPM does not need any help from communal forces to win polls. Quoting BJP leader O Rajagopal, the chief minister said that secret pacts are made between the Congress and the BJP for electoral gains.

TOUGH TIMES

Women find work, but not as regular staffers

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WOMEN constitute the largest workforce in garment units, working from 9 am to 5.30 pm for salaries ranging between ₹8,500 and ₹10,000 per month. "Their work includes right from cutting cloth to packaging and dispatching. At least 85 per cent are women, and a large number of them are from Odisha, Jharkhand, Bihar and other states," says Rukmini, president of the Garment and Textile Workers' Union.

According to activists, many of the workers who lost their jobs returned to their native villages where some are working under MNREGA. Those who stayed back in Bengaluru are doing odd jobs like housekeeping. "The situation started getting better since January and many factories are reopening. But they are not being hired as employees as the employers will have to provide salaries along with facilities like ESI, PF and gratuity. The women are now getting piece-work, where they get paid for stitching, but no other facilities are given," Swati Shivanand, a researcher at Alternative Law Forum (ALF) pointed out.

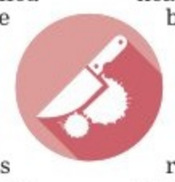
The ALF, in association with Garment and Textile Workers' Union, conducted a survey in Bengaluru on the status of women workers in garment factories in September last year and also in January this year, covering 23 factories where 20,000 people lost their jobs. Swati said that around 65 units in Bengaluru had shut down since April 2020. She said 50 per cent of the workers were forced to resign. This is because units having a certain number of workers have to provide mandated facilities to employees, and in order to avoid this, the units may have asked them to resign and reduced their staff strength, she reasoned.

Farmer's wife, son hire cabbie to murder him

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

WHITEFIELD traffic police, who were investigating an alleged hit-and-run case, unearthed a much larger conspiracy of murder.

A cab driver is accused of deliberately knocking down a 58-year-old farmer, Subbarayappa, and was hired to make it look like a road accident. And the contract killing seems to have been plotted by the victim's own wife and son, with the police citing a property dispute as the motive.



A police officer said that GS Devraj, Subbarayappa's son, filed an accident case alleging that his father was killed in a road accident. He demanded that the vehicle involved be identified.

The family resides in Gunjur. On January 21, Subbarayappa was riding his scooter, when a speeding cab rammed his vehicle, killing him on the spot.

During inspection, police suspected something fishy, and a team led by Whitefield traffic inspector SR Manjunath, probed deeper. The accident spot is isolated, with no CCTV cameras nearby. The road has many bad patches. Considering the accident's impact, it was evident that it may have been planned. Meanwhile, police found that an SUV without any registration plate was near the scene where the accident took place.

The police then zeroed in on the driver, Anil Kumar, whose phone was found to be switched off. His call records revealed that he was in touch with Yashodhamma, Subbarayappa's wife, who feigned ignorance when questioned. Suspecting her role, police detained Anil, who confessed that he was offered Rs 6 lakh by Yashodhamma and Devraj to kill Subbarayappa. Anil said he took the help of his associates, Nagesh and Dhanush, in the crime.

Later, the victim's wife and son also confessed, alleging that Subbrayappa had an affair, and they feared they would lose their property.

CRIME PATROL

CCB arrests 4 truckers for peddling drugs

Bengaluru: CCB sleuths on Thursday arrested four people on charges of peddling drugs, and seized ganja worth Rs 5 lakh from them. The arrested are Rizwan Pasha (29), Shabbir Pasha (31), Wasim Akram (31), and Mohammed Khutbuddin (38). A police officer from the Narcotics Wing of the CCB said that all of them are goods truck drivers. They developed contacts with drug dealers and allegedly smuggled marijuana into the city to sell. ENS

CEN police nab three for online lottery scam

Bengaluru: South-East CEN Crime police on Wednesday arrested a gang of three for allegedly cheating people by luring them through an online lottery scam. Accordingly, police have seized 15 bank accounts and Rs 3 lakh in cash. The arrested are Appaji Gangaram Halkekar (30) and Suresh Mallappa Agasara (35) from Khanapur, and Mahantesh (30) from Gadag. The trio was nabbed based on a complaint by one of the victims. ENS

Woman, daughters attempt self-immolation

Thanjavur: A woman and her two daughters attempted self-immolation at the Thanjavur Collectorate on Thursday. As per sources, Pitchaikkannu (60) of Thondarampattu east village came to the Collectorate with his wife Samuthiram, daughters Sasikala and Vembarasi. When the woman and her daughters doused themselves with diesel and tried to immolate their self, police personnel stopped them. ENS

Telangana's debt estimated at ₹2.86L cr for last fiscal

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THE Telangana government's estimated outstanding public debt will be ₹2,86,804.64 crore, according to the Budget Estimates of 2021-22. The outstanding debts in 2019-20 is ₹2,05,858.33 crore but the revised estimates are ₹2,45,282.19 crore.

According to the Statement of Fiscal Policy tabled in the Assembly on Thursday, "The main objective of debt management in the State is to ensure that the financing of the Budget and refinancing of the debt is done at the lowest possible cost in medium to long term, all within prudent limits of risk... The State government has been raising debts from the market with a tenure of even 40 years, within the borrowing limits set under the FRBM Act. The possibilities of raising money through extra-budgetary sources will also be explored to supplement the resources of the State for investments in capital assets. Thus, the strategy is to explore raising borrowings for productive investments within prudent limits." All the borrowings of the government are being utilised for capital expenditure, which will result in income generating assets and more income to the people, it stated.

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EDITORIAL

"Under the Rayas or Kings of Vijayanagar, literature prospered ... Painting and architecture flourished, and enormous temples were built"

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FINANCING FREEBIES IN TAMIL NADU AMID COVID CRISIS

The manifestos of both the Dravidian majors have tall promises, especially for women and students, with the parties accusing each other of stealing ideas. While the much-talked-about ₹1,000 and ₹1,500 dole for women family heads, free LPG cylinders or a subsidy on that, and the gold for *thali* that married women wear have triggered fierce gender discourses on whether there is an institutionalisation of a woman's role in the Indian household, these promises have also brought out the sword of Damocles from its scabbard and made it hang over the state's already fragile treasury.

Though the Election Commission's model code of conduct says that promises by political parties in manifestos must be buttressed by the financial strategy to execute them, there seems to be little light on that. TN has always had a culture of freebies with an eye on the ballot box, from television sets to wet grinders, with the former a veiled revenue model for the party-run channels. This year, there is even a promise of a free washing machine for every family card holder.

How feasible will these be as the state's revenue deficit has tripled to ₹65,994 crore during the Covid-induced crisis? A dole of ₹1,000 per month will cost the exchequer approximately ₹24,000 crore a year, and if it is ₹1,500, it would be ₹36,000 crore a year. Similarly, six free LPG cylinders in a year would cost around ₹10,000 crore. While there is a risk of sounding elitist when criticising such promises, it is necessary that the manifestos explain the numbers and method of financing them. The opposition DMK has played it safe by giving a 10-year-vision for few of its announcements, while the buoyant ruling party has promised to include "more to the list of current benefits". Instead of looking at them as freebies, the parties can perhaps use these as an opportunity to increase indigenous production and create a push for the "Make in India" endeavour.

SIGNIFICANCE OF A SYMBOLIC FIGHT

It has been a long and difficult fight for a Kerala mother whose two minor daughters were allegedly raped and murdered four years ago. Faulty investigation, sloppy prosecution and a flawed trial made sure that justice was denied to her and the two girls. Besides, the woman had to battle a relentless slander campaign unleashed by people with political backing and obvious vested interests. The anguished mother has now taken her fight to the political arena by deciding to contest the April 6 Assembly election against Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan in his Dharmadom constituency.

It was in January 2017 that the eldest of the two girls, just 13 years old, was found dead at the family's home in Walayar. About two months later, her nine-year-old sibling was found dead. Both had been sexually assaulted, it was revealed. In 2019, when a court in Palakkad acquitted all the accused, citing how the prosecution failed to prove the charges, the cover-up was amply exposed. The Kerala HC, which in January this year set aside the verdict and ordered a retrial, too underscored how the entire criminal justice system was compromised, leading to a "mock trial".

Under pressure, the state government decided to hand over the case to the CBI, but the mother of the girls is not satisfied as there has been no effort to hold police officers responsible for the cover-up accountable. One of the investigating officers, who actively indulged in character assassination, has since been promoted. The mother is on a statewide protest campaign, called Neethi Yatra, to expose the government's "betrayal". Her election contest is largely symbolic and she poses no real threat to the CM's winning prospects, but the significance of her gesture cannot be brushed away. While the Left Front government kept saying how its sympathies are with the family, its continued silence on the demand to punish the officers guilty of mishandling the investigation raised questions about its intentions. On that count, the mother's anger is justified, and her fight genuine. She cannot win the election, but every vote she gets will prick the conscience of a system—society and government included—that conspired to deny her justice.

Bengal is in the throes of what anyone would grant is the mother of elections, or at least the feisty elder sister among five

BETWEEN PURULIA, PUDUCHERRY AND PUNNAYURKULAM

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TAPAS RANJAN

Purulia is a dusty little district on the west of a state that already has 'West' in its name. This is where Bengal's map juts out to meet central India, forming part of the old Chhotanagpur plateau. That would also perfectly describe its socio-geography and economy. Now, Bengal is in the throes of what anyone would grant is the mother of elections, or at least the feisty elder sister among five. There's interest in it just about everywhere, literally—the other day, a long-time devoted reader of *TNIE* from Kerala cut me short on enquiries on UDF and LDF fortunes to tell me he's more interested in what's happening to Mamata Banerjee than to Pinarayi Vijayan!

And on Thursday, Purulia, of arid land, of 18% tribal population, of our oldest indigenes—the Santhal, Munda, Bhumij and Bihor, of the beauteous Ayodhya and Baghmundi pahar, of the red Palash and poverty, became the epicentre. A dramatic face-off, it was. There was the prime minister of India at hand, talking to it directly. The chief minister had also come calling. Both promising water—or, like magicians battling a quantum of inner doubt, to produce at least some water. Mamata reminding them of the water she's already reached them; the rest would flow 'once May 2 is out the way'. Narendra Modi not quite promising *nal ka jal* (tap water) like his party is doing in Haryana, apparently to counter the farmer agitation, but water nonetheless.

Not just for the tribals in Purulia, water is an issue for everyone here—civic, municipal, existential. What better can a backward Purulia aspire for than a PM and a CM competing to bring water to its thirsty soil and parched throats! As the poet said, so what if you do not see dawn, you have at least dreamt of dawn. And thus, with a sudden infusion of a sense of its own importance, Purulia weighs its options.

Neighbouring Midnapore, meanwhile, is bracing for a battle royale—between the chief minister and her one-time party deputy, Suvendu Adhikari. He was the local pointsman when Mamata had posted her historic rebellion against the old Left regime from Nandigram. Now he's at the head of another army, clad in saffron, marching towards that castle.

Don't blame Bengal for having confused loyalties this time—about who is battling who. The 'voter *khela*' is indeed fuzzy. At the top, Mamata, one foot in plaster, is fighting off a furious BJP advance on all flanks—led by Modi, with a regiment full of renegades. A bunch of TMC old-timers have joined the BJP to fight their old boss. To save themselves from CBI, ED, IT? To checkmate the rising graph of Mamata's nephew, Abhishek Banerjee? Or is it resentment against new-age election scriptwriter Prashant Kishor? Any which way, the result is the BJP too is boiling internally—old-timers are fighting these TMC-turned-BJP newbies. Outside, CPM wholetimers, in alliance with their old-time rival Congress, are fighting everyone else. That's not counting the Furfura Sharif cleric who, on not finding enough Muslim candidates to contest the seats the Left-Congress alliance allotted him, is taking on his own community! Whoever said India was only partly free? In Bengal at least, it's a free for all. ... The PM has not only reached Purulia to woo voters, he'll even reach Dhaka!

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But hang on, it's all a calculated madness, the heat produced in the quest to create newer civilisational mores. The PM has not only reached Purulia to woo voters, he'll even reach Dhaka! Full symbolic use will be made of his trip to Bangladesh later this month for the birth centenary celebration of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibar Rehman. There's method there. He will go with MP Shantanu Thakur in tow. Now, Thakur is a Matua, a Namasudra, and so together, naturally, they will visit Orakhandi, the community's most revered shrine, which is in Bangladesh.

Why are Matuas suddenly being given so much importance? Well, the BJP has assiduously mobilised the community, which has a presence in 70 constituencies across the state, with a strong base in North and South 24 Parganas, Nadia and other pockets.

Matuas, as 'persecuted Hindus' from Bangladesh, fit the BJP's ideological bill perfectly. The Dalit deficit in Bengal's mainstream politics gives that an added meaning. Now, the CAA had to be put back in the fridge to placate election-bound Assam and secure a second term for the BJP there. So if the Matuas can't be given a citizenship card, their MP can certainly be taken for a pilgrimage.

Makes sense. Along with the Rajbansis of the north, another disaffected segment seeking to secure their unique identity, the Matuas have moved away from Didi. But will some dedicated Dalit and Adivasi votes, added to those of mainland settlers and some *savarna* Hindu *bhadralok* with their own old Partition hurt and repressed communal anger, suffice to create history? (Did someone say communal? This is pure governance-related. They are all presumably disgusted with Didi's welfare politics and its leakages—and desire nothing short of '*Sonar Bangla*'.) Or is Didi too far ahead in the *khela* to be under any threat from those she calls 'outsiders'—Shyama Prasad Mookerjee notwithstanding?

But then, BJP loves punching above its weight. In Kerala, it may not have enough candidates to contest all seats, but it has a CM face. In Tamil Nadu, it's piggybacking on a Dravidian party; why, in Puducherry, it's contesting more seats than ally AIADMK! Rahul Gandhi, our first and only six-pack-abs politician, meanwhile, is swimming with the fishermen to topple Pinarayi. All at sea, did you say?

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TRIBAL HUNTING RELIEFS, MASTERPIECES OF VIJAYANAGARA ART

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In *Hitopadesa*, its author, Vishnu Sharma/Narayana, says in a verse that the innate urges to have "food, sleep, fear and sex" are common for humans as well as animals and adds further that *jnanam*, which could be translated as knowledge, awareness, virtue and so on, is an additional quality of the humans, without which they would be like any other animal. This *jnana* of human beings surely has led them to produce art, literature and many other allied creative works that reflect all activities of human life, society, flora and fauna, etc. For instance, the Royal Centre at the Vijayanagara archaeological site near Hampi contains a north-facing plinth with elephant balustrades and finely carved panels on the sides. A majority of the panels show tribal people hunting animals; two of them in particular are truly intriguing and thought-provoking, for they display themes that cover eroticism suffused with a subtle sense of humour and striking nuances of didacticism viz. to show compassion towards animals, even in a hunting expedition. Though I had photographed some of the panels in 2009, the documentation has eventually led me to undertake a serious art historical study of nearly about 100 panels on the plinth. The study has resulted in the publication of a book in 2019 entitled *Realms of Tribal Hunting*.

The panels show hunters and huntresses in the wild, using weapons like the bow and arrows, spears, daggers and swords for hunting animals such as the deer, nilgai (blue bull/cow), gazelle, sambar deer, boar, bear, tiger and lion. Often, men and women were shown wearing large leaves around the waist that made me identify them as tribal people. A few panels suggest that hunting expeditions were undertaken not just to kill, but to capture alive a few animals, like deer and a snake, most likely to tame them. Interestingly, no panel suggests any existence of gender disparity in the community; both men and women participate in hunting and share the workload equally. For example, a panel shows a man and a woman carrying on their shoulders a yoke to which prey are tied, upside down. Many panels also suggest that women had played a leading role in hunting, going either all alone or in a group and at times even while carrying a baby on the hip, without an iota of fear.

Innumerable works of art, across the world in general and in India in particular, cover erotic scenes. Vijayanagara art is no exception. Many scholars have written essays and books on the topic, including on many carvings of the period at Vijayanagara and elsewhere in South India. But to the best of my knowledge, the two panels that I would be considering here seem to remain unnoticed by the previous scholars. These panels contain no caption or descriptive text and hence, a visual reading of the subject seems to be the only option left for a common viewer or even a scholar.

One panel shows a hunter followed by a woman and a pair of deer mating in front of them. Apparently, upon noticing the animals, the hunter stretches forward the bow in his right hand and bends his left to take out an arrow from the quiver at the back of his left shoulder so as to shoot the mating pair. Immediately, the woman holds his left hand with her right and so the hunter turns his face towards her. Then, she places her right palm under his chin. These gestures, in my opinion, invariably suggest that the woman is indeed pleading with the hunter not to shoot the deer while they are mating. This seems to be a one-of-its-kind work of art that conveys ethics that need to be followed during the course of hunting animals in the wild. Indian literature, in Sanskrit and other languages, contains innumerable poems with didactic verses on all aspects of human life. In Indian art, sculptures in particular, it is indeed very rare to come across this kind of work that communicates didacticism through visual language alone.

Another panel shows, again, the bow-bearing hunter accompanied by a woman and in front of them, a pair of deer mating under the shade of a tree. Apparently, no sooner than they come across the mating deer, the hunter turns his face towards the woman and looks at her sensually with his wide open eyes. As his gaze conveys suggestive meanings, the woman becomes extremely coy and covers her eyes with both of her palms. To the best of my knowledge, no other panel at Vijayanagara or elsewhere in Indian art has depicted this kind of subtle humour that is connected with rather mundane eroticism. Both the panels, in my opinion, could indeed be highlighted as rare masterpieces of Indian art in general and Vijayanagara art in particular.

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Panels depicting tribal hunting in a plinth at the Royal Centre, Vijayanagara archaeological site, Hampi: (L) A hunter and a huntress carry prey on a yoke on the shoulders; (M) A woman pleads with a hunter not to shoot deer while they are mating; (R) A hunter sees mating deer and looks back with wide open eyes at a woman behind him; she blushes and closes her eyes with her palms

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Plans to contain the virus

The report that India is heading towards a second Covid peak is disturbing. The Central and state governments should sit together and plan appropriate strategies to contain the virus, especially in states where the situation has reached alarming proportions.

K V Surendran, Kannur

Why are rallies not virtual?

Despite staring at a second Covid peak and the PM addressing the CMs of all states about it, political rallies are still being held with no care for safety. Why can't politicians address their supporters virtually? This would also save huge sums of money. Our leaders and the Election Commission must come out of the pre-Covid mindset and set an example for other countries.

Col Lakshmana Kumar T (Retd), Chennai

Strictly follow Covid norms

The PM appealing to people to take quick and decisive steps to prevent the emergence of a second Covid wave is a reminder for people to strictly follow safety norms. He has also asked states to be on their toes and open up more vaccination centres.

K R Srinivasan, Secunderabad

Alarming vaccine wastage

It is alarming that in many places, precious doses of the Covid vaccine get wasted as an insufficient number of people turn up to take the jab. A batch of vaccines is supposed to be used up within four hours of being opened. The government should consider opening a batch and administering it only when the required number of people are queued up and ready.

E Sethuramalingam, Kollam

Learning from Andhra

After seeing the success of the Andhra Pradesh government in implementing the Navaratnalu schemes it had promised during polls, West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee has made promises of similar schemes in her party manifesto to win favour in the upcoming elections. Such promises to woo voters are the need of the hour for the TMC.

Parthasarathy Mandadi, Tirupati

Don't trivialise wheelchair

It is a shame that the BJP in West Bengal organised a 'wheelchair' rally as a counter to Mamata to protest the killing of its workers in the state. Political parties must stop trivialising the wheelchair as only those who are forced to use them know the pain and difficulty they face.

N Nagarajan, Secunderabad

Reducing financial stress

This is with reference to *Should West Bengal adopt Ayushman Bharat?* (Mar 18). Health insurance comes to our rescue when we don't have sufficient money to pay for critical medical bills. It helps reduce financial stress in families. That's why it is important for states to provide such schemes.

Priyanka E V, Chitradurga

Ensure equality as well

This is with reference to *On paying women for housework* (Mar 17). Housework cannot be properly represented monetarily. The sudden awakening of political parties is mere tokenism. I am pleased that the services rendered by women are now gaining recognition. But we must ensure equality and freedom to women as well.

P Prema, Thanjavur

VC's complaint valid

The Allahabad University Vice Chancellor's complaint against the *azaan* being broadcast on loudspeaker every day is valid. The use of loudspeakers for preaching and calling for prayers daily not only leads to noise pollution but also is not good especially for heart patients, senior citizens and babies.

Uday Mohapatra, Sambalpur

Major pitfalls to freebies

Major political parties are increasingly offering generous freebies to voters for garnering support in the upcoming polls. There are major pitfalls to this: one, the measure may generate more idle hours, and two, it strikes at the economy of the state. How the parties plan to support such grand schemes even during the pandemic is not clear.

V S Raman, Thanjavur

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Omar Abdullah @OmarAbdullah
What a shame that while so many of us are waiting patiently for our turn to get a Covid vaccine the govt admits 6.5% of vaccine doses are being wasted

Amit Shah @AmitShah
Every scheme of Modiji, especially PMAY, has created new confidence in the poor of the country, which has given them security and respect

P. Chidambaram @PChidambaram_IN
At this rate the race between the virus and the vaccination will be won by the virus. Government should allow walk-in vaccination on demand

ASSEMBLY ELECTION 2021 DECIDE

Like British rulers, who adopted divisive policies to rule the country and serve own interests, BJP is trying to create divisions in Assam on the basis of language, religion, and food habit —Bhupesh Baghel, Chhattisgarh CM

In 10 years, TMC has fooled Muslims and Dalits. Mamata Banerjee has done nothing for them... We are not here only to seek Muslim votes but also backward community votes —Abbas Siddique, Indian Secular Front

In Assam, CM Sarbananda Sonowal did nothing in five years and so BJP leaders are raising Congress-AIUDF alliance. They are trying to communalise it and make it an election issue —RS Surjewala, Congress general-secretary

52.2K
CRPF personnel to be deployed on election duty in West Bengal, confirmed its chief Kuldiep Singh

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Special officers have been appointed by the Election Commission of India for Assembly polls in Assam

West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee (left) addresses a rally in West Midnapore, while Assam minister Himanta Biswa Sarma leads a cycle rally in Guwahati on Thursday | PTI

Seasoned pros with academicians named in BJP's Bengal second list

Despite given ticket, Congress leader's widow says she will not contest for saffron brigade

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IN line with the BJP strategy to field top faces in the Assembly elections, the saffron outfit on Thursday fielded its vice president Mukul Roy along with Rahul Sinha, who had been state unit chief, in the West Bengal's electoral arena. The BJP also laid emphasis on a long list of professionals, including academicians and artists.

Gobardhan Das, professor of Molecular Medicine in JNU, figured in the list of 148 candidates released by BJP's national general secretary Arun Singh at the party's national headquarters on Thursday. The BJP at the same time replaced economist Ashok Lahiri with Suman Kanjilal from the Alipurdwar constituency. By changing the candidate, BJP sought to control the damage in the state amid protests by party workers against being ignored at the cost of turncoats from other parties and others with no past record of working on the ground in the state.

Roy, BJP's chief strategist in West Bengal, has been fielded from Krishnanagar Uttar. He was a close confidante of Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee before joining BJP. In his constituency, BJP had bagged a lead of more than 55,000 votes in the 2019 Lok Sabha elections.

The BJP also fielded former state unit chief Rahul Sinha from Habra. A total of The 10 TMC MLAs found their names in the list. BJP's national general secretary Arun Singh emphasised that a large number of candidates are professionals, hailing from the professions of education, medicine, fine arts, law and others.

Shortly after the candidate list was announced, Sikha Mitra Chowdhury, wife of former state Congress president Somen Mitra, said she would not contest. "I have not joined BJP yet and no one from BJP consulted me before including my name in the list of candidates. I belong to a family with a Congress background. I had joined TMC but there is no question of contesting on a BJP ticket. Congress and BJP belong to two different poles," she said.

Anirban Ganguly, a columnist associated with ideological wings of the party, has been fielded from Bolpur. BJP also fielded MP Jagannath Sircar from the Santipur Assembly seat. There are four more MPs in the fray.

Saffron party learns its lessons, fields fewer turncoats after protests

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TAKING a lesson from the unexpected intra-party rebellion caused by the selection of Trinamool Congress turncoats, the BJP high command, in its latest list of 157 candidates for the West Bengal polls, decided against including faces who recently came over from the ruling party.

While the previous list included more than 70 TMC turncoats out of 123, Thursday's list had only 13, including 10 MLAs. "Demonstrations in front of the party's election headquarters in Kolkata and other parts of South 24 Parganas, Howrah and Hooghly districts were triggered by the party's decision to field TMC turncoats who joined our party very recently. The party high-command was not happy with the intra-party rebellion and decided to give the party's old workers priority," said a senior BJP leader in Kolkata.

Irked by the party' internal feud that surfaced publicly, Union Home Minister Amit Shah held an unscheduled meeting with the Bengal functionaries and national leaders camping in the state. Before leaving for Delhi, Shah asked the Bengal functionaries to attend an emergency meeting in the national capital with a list of candidates for the next phases.

Although Thursday's list did not feature too many recent turncoats, incidents of ransacking and protests took place in at least three places after the announcement. Roadblocks were put up at Jagaddal in protest against TMC defector Arindam Bhattacharya's candidature from North 24 Parganas. Agitations were staged in Durgapur after BJP announced TMC MLA Jitendra Tiwari's candidature in Pandeveshwar. Senior BJP functionaries, including Union minister Babul Supriyo had opposed Tiwari's inclusion in the BJP.

In Jalpaiguri, BJP supporters ransacked the party office as they were not happy with the candidates. "It was a rift between the party's old workers. Many aspirants who wanted to contest elections were denied tickets," said a BJP leader.

ISF names 10 non-Muslims

The ISF, led by cleric Abbas Siddiqui, has named 21 candidates. Ten of them are Hindu or from Adivasi communities. Rest are Muslims. ISF has formed an alliance with Left and Congress.

Govil of Ram fame joins BJP ranks

New Delhi: Actor Arun Govil, who played the role of Ram in the TV serial *Ramayan*, joined BJP on Thursday. He said his decision was triggered by TMC supremo Mamata Banerjee's 'irritation' to the chant of *Jai Shri Ram*. Govil joined the BJP in the presence of party general secretary Arun Singh and Union Minister Debasree Chaudhuri. "Mamata Banerjee's irritation to *Jai Shri Ram* was a trigger for me to join BJP. And there is nothing wrong in saying *Jai Shri Ram*. It is not a slogan, not even a political slogan. It is a way of life for us, it represents our culture and ethos," Govil told the media at the BJP headquarters here on Thursday.

TMC candidate summoned by ED

Kolkata: The Enforcement Directorate, probing the money laundering aspect of the multi-crore Saradha scam, on Thursday summoned Vivek Gupta, the TMC candidate from Jorasanko Assembly constituency. Sources said Gupta has been asked to depose before ED officials on Monday. Meanwhile, businessman Swapan Sadhan Bose, who was asked to appear on Thursday in connection with the scam, is yet to turn up, sources close to developments said. Former Trinamool Congress minister Madan Mitra has also been asked to appear before the directorate in connection with the same scam on Friday, according to sources.

Party with no neta or niti! Modi attacks Congress in Assam election rally

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @Guwahati

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday said the Congress has become so weak that it can partner anyone. Targeting BJP's main rival in the Assembly elections, he said it has no leader nor a policy.

"Congress does not have a *neta* (leader) nor *niti* (policy) and ideology. It has aligned with the Left in West Bengal, but is fighting against them in Kerala. It attacks a party in one state but embraces it in another," Modi said at a rally in Karimganj in Barak Valley.

"Congress has become so weak that it can go to any level and join hands with anyone. The entire country is seeing this. They have aligned with a party whose politics their own workers have been fighting against for decades. Betraying people for the sake of votes is in their character."

Modi's attack was directed at the minority-based All India United Democratic Front, which is a component of a Congress-led 10-party grand alliance of opposition. It was formed to avoid the split of anti-BJP votes.

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Saying that Congress is in a confused state, the PM asked voters how a party that lacks stable thinking would give Assam a stable government. He also accused them of indulging in corruption, vote-bank politics and framing faulty policies which disconnected Assam from the rest of the country and caused social, cultural, geographical and political damage.

Modi asserted that the BJP-led Central government was making the Northeast the country's development hub with Assam as a main stakeholder. He said the Central and state governments would together make Assam an Atmanirbhar state.

The PM said Barak Valley was once rich in tea and petroleum products, but the Congress has destroyed its resources. Karimganj, Cachar and Hailakandi districts make up the Bengali-majority valley.

FOUR YEARS IN OFFICE

Yogi govt high on reform, perform & transform mantra

NAMITA BAJPAI @Lucknow

STEPPING into the final year of its term on Friday, the Yogi Adityanath government in Uttar Pradesh has decided to mark the event under the theme 'Reform, Perform, Transform'. There will be week-long celebrations at all district headquarters March 19 onwards. Each day will be dedicated to a separate segment of society, such as women, traders, farmers, and others. Officials will interact with people about various initiatives and schemes.

A 64-page booklet — '4 years of service & good governance, opportunities in disaster' — released by the state government has a long list of achievements and some challenges.

The list opens with the largest-ever ₹5.5 lakh crore state budget for 2021-22 which, the government claims, is a confident step towards making UP a $1 trillion economy.

"UP is ahead of other states in implementing 44 development schemes... this record has been achieved when the world was struggling with Covid-19. By making arrangements to handle it properly, the state turned this disaster into an opportunity," it says.

It claims the state's GSDP has gone up in the last four years from ₹10.9 lakh crore to ₹21.73 lakh crore, establishing UP as the second biggest economy in the country and getting out of the list of 'BIMARU' states.

It refers to a report of the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy to make a point about the rate of unemployment coming down from 17.5% in 2017 to 4.1% on February 28, 2021 in the state. However, the state government is tasked with filling a large number of vacancies across various departments.

"In the global scenario of negative growth during the pandemic, where India suffered a negative growth of nearly 25% for a while, UP showed exceptional tax buoyancy. Almost all taxes showed high buoyancy, which may be reflective of the extraordinary resilience that the state demonstrates," said Arvind Mohan, professor of economics at Lucknow University.

However, Yashvir Tyagi, former professor of economics, cautioned the government over per capita income. He suggests that the government should continue to make investment in areas such as education, health and social welfare so as to improve its rank in human development.

Most promises kept, Amarinder sad about Centre's farm stand

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

DESPITE his Congress party sweeping the recent civic body elections where electronic voting machines (EVM) were used for the first time in the state, Punjab Chief Minister Amarinder Singh has advocated reverting to ballot papers. He thinks EVMs can be manipulated.

Talking on the occasion of completing four years at the helm in Punjab, Amarinder also claimed that his government has fulfilled 85 per cent promises made in the manifesto of 2017. He said this is a record, bettering the mark of 81 per cent set by Chandrababu Naidu in Andhra Pradesh.

"I support reverting to the paper ballot system. In this electronic age, why are advanced countries like Japan, Sweden, UK, Norway not using EVMs? They know this can be manipulated. Why are we using them?" he asked.

Amarinder opposed the policy of excessive regionalisation followed in certain states. "I believe India is one country. Too much regionalisation is not good," he said, responding to a question on job reservation for local youth in neighbouring Haryana. "If we start regionalising, we will suffer," he warned.

Making it clear that his government was opposed to the Centre's farm laws, Amarinder urged the government to bring in new laws after discussions with farmers. However, Amarinder added that he could not see a middle path to break the stalemate. "What's the point in making it a prestige issue? How many more farmers do you want to kill? They are poor farmers sitting there, with women and elderly," he said, pointing out that Punjab has lost 112 farmers since the agitation began.

Asked about Navjot Singh Sidhu's reinclusion in the state cabinet, the chief minister said: "Everyone wants him to be part of our team." He sounded hopeful that Sidhu would take a decision soon. Amarinder would also be happy to have Partap Singh Bajwa and Shamsher Dhullo as part of the team. "In a difficult hour, you have to set aside your own ambitions and stand with the party," he said.

Taking serious note of the increase in drone movement from across the border, Amarinder said: "As long as I am here, no Khalistani or Pakistani or any other terrorist activity will be allowed to disturb the peace of the state."

US defence secy urged to raise rights violation and Russia deal on India trip

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@New Delhi

AHEAD of US Secretary of Defence Llyod Austin's visit to India, Chairman of the US Senate Committee on Foreign Relations — Bob Menendez — has urged him to raise the issues of human rights and democracy, and acquisition of S400 systems from Russia.

"The Indian government's ongoing crackdown on farmers peacefully protesting new farming laws and corresponding intimidation of journalists and government critics only underscores the deteriorating situation of democracy in India. Moreover, in recent years, rising anti-Muslim sentiment and related government actions like the Citizenship Amendment Act, the suppression of political dialogue and arrest of political opponents following the abrogation of Article 370 in Kashmir, and the use of sedition laws to persecute political opponents have resulted in the US human rights group Freedom House stripping India of its 'Free' status in its yearly global survey," Menendez wrote to the secretary of defence.

Bob Menendez, Chairman of US Senate Committee of Foreign Relations

Austin is scheduled to visit India between March 19 and 21 where he will hold discussions with Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and National Security Advisor Ajit Doval.

Menendez's letter also urges Austin to take up the issue of India's procurement of S400 Missile Systems from Russia, which could lead to US sanctions. "I recognise that India is not a US treaty ally and has historical ties with the Soviet and Russian militaries. However, if India chooses to go forward with its purchase of the S-400, that act will clearly constitute a significant, and therefore sanctionable, transaction with the Russian defense sector under Section 231 of CAATSA," he said and added that it will limit India's ability to work with the US on procurement of sensitive military technology.

IN THE SC

Bench not to disclose details of Gogoi case

New Delhi: The Supreme Court has refused to disclose details of a report filed by retired Justice A K Patnaik, on the investigation into a larger conspiracy behind allegations of sexual harassment against former Chief Justice of India Ranjan Gogoi. Journalist Saurav Das had filed an RTI seeking details of the report. He had submitted that no public authority can choose to deny information after the enactment of the RTI Act. "The nature of information sought is exempt under Section 8(1)(b), 8(1)(j) and Section 11(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005," the response of the top court stated.

Plea for stay on sale of poll bonds to be heard

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Thursday agreed to hear a plea to stay fresh sale of electoral bonds (EB) in five poll-bound states on March 24. Advocate Prashant Bhushan, appearing for Association for the NGO Democratic Reforms, requested the bench to give an urgent hearing in the wake of Assembly elections in five states. "New bonds will be issued in April. We want a stay on the issue of bonds," said Bhushan.

Fraternity's Covid worry deemed genuine

New Delhi: The Supreme Court on Thursday observed that the concerns of the legal fraternity regarding priority for Covid-19 vaccination were genuine, which require consideration while staying the Delhi High Court suo moto case hearing on vaccination of lawyers. A bench headed by Chief Justice S A Bobde said: "Advocates can earn livelihood only if they come into contact with people. They need assurance that they will not die if they come into contact with people." The bench was hearing petitions filed by vaccine manufacturers Bharat Biotech and Serum Institute of India.

LENDS SUPPORT

BJP's Bairia MLA Surendra Singh on Thursday defended Uttarakhand Chief Minister Tirath Singh Rawat's ripped jeans remark, saying men and women need to wear 'decent clothes'.

226 TERRORISTS KILLED IN JAMMU AND KASHMIR SINCE 2020

INDIA	Max	Min	INDIA	Max	Min
Ahmedabad	38	21	Mumbai	33	24
Bhopal	34	21	Panaji	33	26
Jaipur	33	22	Patna	34	21
Amritsar	31	15	Lucknow	36	25
Chennai	31	23	Port Blair	31	26
Kolkata	36	24	Imphal	29	13
Srinagar	20	07	Chandigarh	33	17

India using more vaccine doses at home

Government has supplied 75 million doses to states so far while 59 million doses have been exported or donated

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @New Delhi

THE concerns that India is sending more Covid-19 vaccine doses outside than using them at home may be unfounded as the government has supplied 75 million doses to states so far while 59 million doses have been exported or donated.

However, there is still not enough supply to allow vaccination of all above 45 years as demanded by some states.

As per Union Ministry of Health, 7.54 crore doses of Covishield and Covaxin have been supplied so far.

The country has supplied 59 million doses of these two vaccines as part of the individual agreement by the vaccine makers, an international agreement involving the WHO or vaccine diplomacy by India.

"As of now we are in a comfortable situation for the national vaccination drive but we will definitely need faster supply of vaccines as it picks up pace," a senior health ministry official said.

States like West Bengal and Rajasthan, have complained about inadequate availability of vaccines.

The Centre has maintained that there is no supply issue but sources in the National Expert Group on Covid-19 Vaccine Administration told this newspaper that a plan to include all above 50 years in the vaccination coverage had been delayed, precisely for this reason.

"As the drive has picked up now and daily vaccination numbers have even crossed 2-3 million mark on certain days, we definitely need a bigger stock before the coverage criteria is further relaxed," said a member of the committee.

It is for this reason, possibly, that only five million doses—out of ten million doses agreed-to be sent to the UK by the Serum Institute of India which is manufacturing Covid19 vaccine by AstraZeneca-Oxford University under the brand name of Covishield, has been supplied. "Five million doses had been delivered a few weeks ago to the UK and we will try to supply more later, based on the current situation and the requirement for the government immunisation programme in India," said the company.

NO OF TESTS DONE

23 CRORE

35,871 NEW CASES IN 24 HRS

140 (per million population) TESTS PER DAY

4.98% POSITIVITY RATE (CUMULATIVE)

3.37% DAILY POSITIVITY RATE

HCWS

75,68,844 1ST DOSE

46,32,940 2ND DOSE

FLWS

77,16,084 1ST DOSE

19,09,528 2ND DOSE

JABS GIVEN

3,71,43,255

Punjab extends night curfew in nine districts

Warning of several more tough measures and restrictions over the next few days, Punjab CM Amarinder Singh on Thursday announced a two-hour extension in the night curfew in the nine worst affected districts. Night curfew will now be in place from 9 pm to 5 am, instead of 11 pm to 5 am, in Ludhiana, Jalandhar, Patiala, Mohali, Amritsar, Gurdaspur, Hoshiarpur, Kapurthala and Ropar. All these districts are reporting more than 100 Coivid cases daily. The announcement came as daily cases shot up to 2,039 with 35 deaths on Wednesday. The CM said Covid situation was critical and that he was going to be tough. Several other stringent measures, including restrictions on gatherings, will be announced after discussions with the state government's expert Covid team, he said. Whether these will include restrictions on political gatherings was also something that will be decided as per the team's advice, he added.

HARYANA

Assembly nod to bill for recovering damages post stir

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

THE Haryana Assembly on Thursday passed a Bill that will allow authorities to recover compensation from violent protesters for causing damage to public property.

The Haryana Recovery of Damages to Property during Disturbance to Public Order Bill, 2021 was tabled in the House three days back and was passed after an hour-long discussion.

The Bill provides for recovery of damages to property caused during disturbances to public order by an assembly, lawful or unlawful, including riots and violent disorder. A 'claims tribunal' can be set up to assess damage to public property and fix liability. The collector can order the attachment of property or bank accounts of anyone asked by the tribunal to pay compensation.

Home Minister Anil Vij countering the Opposition said, "We are not bringing this Bill against people's democratic right to hold a protest. They said we are bringing this for farmers' agitation, but there is no connection."

Leader of Opposition Bhupinder Singh Hooda also sought its withdrawal. He said, "Peaceful protest is every citizen's right. There are already legal provisions pertaining to damage caused to property. What about the responsibility of the police in not being able to control law and order?"

Slamming the government, Congress spokesperson Randeep Surjewala said, "The bill itself is law imposing and puts a permanent ban on every person or group who speaks, thinks, protests and states the flaws and mistakes of state government. Not only does this violate the fundamental rights enshrined in Article 19 of the Constitution, but it also reflects the mentality and frustration of the BJP-JJP government that it is scared of the people of Haryana."

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Bhupinder Singh Hooda, Congress

Airlines start to act against mask violators

Amid rising Covid-19 cases, airlines have started acting against those passengers who are refusing to wear masks in the flights as per recent guidelines issued by the aviation regulator. Indigo, Air Asia and Alliance Air have acted against eight such travellers in the last few days. As per recent guidelines by the DGCA, strict action will be taken against those passengers who refuse to wear masks. Such passengers can be put on the no-fly list or in harsher situations be even handed over to the security officials. Officials said that DGCA is monitoring and airlines have been asked to take appropriate actions for not following rules.

Maharashtra logs 25,833 cases in a day

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

MAHARASHTRA on Thursday recorded 25,833 new Covid-19 cases, marking the highest single-day spike since September last when 24,896 cases were recorded. With the caseload mounting, Prime Minister Narendra Modi urged Maharashtra CM Uddhav Thackeray to ramp up testing and expedite containment measures.

While the cases have increased in the State, the mortality rate at 2.2% is lower than last year's, a senior official said. "Of the total cases reported, a majority are asymptomatic. Further, the cases are coming out in clusters unlike last year when individual cases led to the spurt," the official said.

With a view to shoring up the vaccination drive, state health minister Rajesh Tope urged the Centre to deliver more doses. At a time when the numbers are rising, there is a shortage of vaccines, Tope claimed. "Lockdown is not the answer to the present situation. Rapid and massive vaccination drives must be undertaken. We need 10-day advance stocks or else the vaccine centres will run out of shots soon," Tope said.

Many places in Pune, Amaravati, Nashik, Navi Mumbai and Jalgaon opted for localised lockdowns, ordering schools, colleges, hotel and restaurants to shut down. Meanwhile, after reporting 2,039 fresh cases and 35 fatalities on Wednesday, Punjab, government on Thursday announced a two-hour extension in the night curfew in the state's nine worst-affected districts. The night curfew will now span 9 pm to 5 am. A similar extension was ordered in Ahmedabad, where cases surged significantly.

Yogi govt will seek Centre's nod to vaccinate all adults

LUCKNOW: Amid the second corona wave scare, the UP government is approaching Union Health Ministry with a proposal for opening the vaccination to people in the 18-45 years bracket and also to withdraw the mandatory comorbidity provision for 45-60 age group. The state health ministry proposal practically seeks central nod for opening vaccination for everyone above 18 years of age. Health officials said the proposal for expanding the vaccination to the entire adult population was aimed at taking the state towards 'herd immunity' in next three-four months. To achieve this, UP needs to vaccinate 30 pc of its 24 crore population.

EXPRESS READ

BJP loses Jalgaon mayor elections too

Mumbai: The BJP on Thursday lost the mayor election in the Jalgaon Municipal Corporation as 27 corporators cross-voted. Earlier, the NCP managed to elect its mayor in the Sangli Miraj Kupwad Municipal Corporation, which was ruled by the saffron party. Despite having the majority, BJP nominee Pratibha Kapse lost the election by 15 votes and got 30 votes while Shiv Sena nominee Jayshree Mahajan got 45 votes after 31 BJP corporators defected.

Maoists set conditions for peace talks

Raipur: The outlawed CPI (M) has expressed their readiness for the peace talks but laid down three pre-conditions for the Chhattisgarh government to comply and "create conducive environment for the dialogue process to begin". Vikalp, the spokesperson of Dandakaranya Special Zonal Committee (CPI-Maoist) asserted that the present exploiters are the political parties who are the real cause for the unrest and not the Maoists.

Faculty decries 'gag on academic freedom'

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"WE are greatly troubled by this scenario. Even more troubling is the possibility that our university may have acceded to pressure to remove Professor Mehta or to request, and accept, his resignation," joint letter by faculty said.

Ashoka University is a private liberal arts university in Sonepat, Haryana.

The latest episode, the faculty wrote, will "set a chilling precedent for future removals of faculty, curtailing our sense of who we are as researchers and teachers".

Apart from requesting the university to ask Mehta to rescind his resignation, the joint letter also said that the university should clarify its internal protocols of faculty appointment and dismissal and reinforce its "institutional commitment to the principles of academic freedom".

A faculty member said the development this week has been rather shocking. "We have been watching, from a distance, what has been happening at JNU and other public institutions. The clampdown on academic freedom has now reached our doorstep too," he said.

An email sent by this newspaper to the university seeking its response on the development has remained unanswered so far.

In a statement, the university students under the banner of Ashoka University Student Government said they were "concerned about the larger implications this has on the freedom of speech for Ashoka's students and faculty". Some of the students also held demonstrations on the campus and urged Mehta to break his silence.

Waze was no. 2 in Mumbai police, had political blessings

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

SACHIN Waze, arrested by the NIA for his alleged role in placing an explosive-laden vehicle outside Mukesh Ambani's residence, has a fascinating tale resembling a Bollywood thriller.

Waze, 49, comes from Kolhapur and has carried out 63 encounters. Well-known encounter specialist Pradeep Sharma was his mentor.

He started off as a sub-inspector in 1990 in the Naxal-hit area of Chandrapur in Vidarbha. Later, he was moved to Thane and Mumbai and earned a name for himself when he unravelled several complex criminal cases.

In 2003-2004, he was suspended by the Bombay High Court for custodial death of Khwaja Yunus, an accused in the 2002 Ghatkopar blast case. The BJP had applauded Waze for allegedly killing Yunus. Now, however, the party wants strict action against him and his aides.

Waze has joined the Shiv Sena in 2009. After 16 years, he was not only reinstated in the police force last year but also given important cases to handle.

According to a senior journalist, Waze was virtually the number two in Mumbai police after the commissioner. "He wielded a lot of power due to political blessings. He was an ace in solving cases involving cyber crime, hacking emails, social media accounts and phone tapping," the journalist said, adding that he was encouraged by IPS lobby to end organised underworld crime.

"Once the organised crime ended, a few encounter specialists turned into extortion experts. The greed to earn more led them to extort money from big businessmen, underworld dons, bookies and gambling and 'matka' kingpins. With one phone call, they'd get ₹1-2 crore," said the journalist.

A senior Mumbai police officer said Waze became so important that one could meet the police commissioner, but would find it difficult to get through to Waze. "Officers waited for him. Though an assistant police inspector, he was given the charge of the elite Crime Intelligence Unit. He was always on the hotline with Shiv Sena leaders. In Arnab Goswami's case, no one wanted to arrest him because of his 'connections'. But Waze laid out the plan and arrested the Republic TV head. He was daring, but often misused his powers," said the officer, requesting anonymity.

In a search conducted by the NIA, the investigators seized a Mercedes, ₹5 lakh in cash and a note counting machine from his house. Waze also owns a BMW and is director, owner and co-owner in multiple real estate and development projects. Before his arrest, he had reportedly boasted to reporters, "I like only imported automatic vehicles, not the local ones."

"The bomb scare plan has tarnished the image of the Mumbai police. Waze is behind bars and the top cop has been shunted, but this murky saga is unlikely to end soon," said a senior police officer.

Two luxury cars used by Waze seized

The NIA on Thursday seized two more luxury cars allegedly used by suspended cop Sachin Waze, sources said. A Toyota Land Cruiser Prado was found parked outside Waze's residence in Saket area of adjoining Thane, an agency official said. A Mercedes car was also seized but it was not clear from where it was picked.

25 more sniffer dogs inducted in Bihar Police

The Bihar Police has strengthened its canine platoon by inducting 25 sniffer dogs to help detect crimes. With the fresh induction, total number of sniffer dogs in Bihar Police has gone up to 105. The animals were imparted training in Hyderabad before being were inducted in the dog squad of the Crime Investigation Department. ADG CID Vinay Kumar said 23 out of 25 trained sniffer dogs are labrador and the rest are Belgian malinosis breed. "Twenty dogs have also been trained to sniff out hidden liquor," the ADG said.

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Cops to keep an eye on crime history through app

In a first, the Bihar Police has developed a mobile app 'Chakra' to share the crime history of offenders, the names of arrested persons and their conviction details. Just in one click, all information regarding criminals along with their photographs would be available on the phone of police personnel. The state police department will keep a complete record of all criminals through this app and be able to monitor their activities even after the offenders come out from jail on bail. The app will be exclusively accessible to police officials and not the public. At present, the mobile app is undergoing trial with data entry process. Two SIM cards have been sent to each of 38 districts along with 2 android mobile handsets for running this app on trial basis now.

Junior minister rides bullock cart on Mahashivratri

Carrying on the age-old tradition on Mahashivratri, Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Nityanand Rai rode a bullock cart at his hometown, Hajipur. He started the ride from the famous Pataleshwar temple and concluded at Askhayabat stadium, passing through the city with thousands of devotees in traditional dress. Before that he performed prayers and rituals on the occasion of Shivratri. Nityanand Rai, even when he was the MLA of Hajipur, used to ride bullock cart during the festival.

Rail services resumes after 87 years

General Manager of East Central Railway (ECR), Lalit Chandra Trivedi got a chance to conduct the historical inspection on of the restored Supaul-Saraigarh-Nirmali-Jhanjharpur railway line via Kosi Rail Bridge on which the railway movement was stopped after the devastating earthquake in 1934. It was also for the first time in the Indian Railways that the General Manager's Special train was run entirely by women staff. All the crew members, including the locopilot and guards, were women. The local people along the railway line also celebrated the occasion.

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Sl No.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF BORROWER & LOAN ACCOUNT NUMBER	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	DETAILS OF PROPERTY POSSESSED	DATE OF PHYSICAL POSSESSION
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1.	**Loan No. X0HEBAN00001847757 & X0HEBAN00002307107** **1.LAKSHMI MACHERLA,** **2.RAMYA MACHERLA,** Both are residing at GF-11, Atria Villa, Dattathreya Temple Road, Malleshwaram,Bangalore-560003 **3. M/s. THE BLOOM CREATORS,** 76, HVV Plaza, 2nd Floor, 4th Main, 15th Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003 **4. M/s. THE BLOOM CREATORS,** No.111/899/1756,2nd Flr,BB Road, Opp to RMZ Galleri Appt, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560003.	18.08.2020	**Rs. 94,30,703.57 as on 28.02.2020**	**Property 1 :** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Apartment No.10, Ground Floor with 1315 Sq.ft., Super built up area having 584.50 Sq.ft., undivided share in the schedule a property bearing No.10/14 (Old No.1364/3) situated at Dattatreya Temple Street (Palace Guttahall Main Road), Malleswaram, Bangalore City Presently within the limits of BBMP and bounded on East by :Property belongs to Krishnaswamy Pillais, West by : Portion of schedule a property bearing No.10/15, North by Dattatreya Temple Street, South by : Krishnaswamy Pillais property. **Property 2 :** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Apartment No.11, Ground Floor, with 810 Sq.ft., super built-up area and having 353.53 Sq.ft., undivided share in the schedule a property bearing No.10/ 15 (Old No.1364/2) situated at Dattatreya Temple Street (Palace Guttahall Main Road), Malleswaram, Bangalore City presently within the limits of BBMP and bounded on :East by : Portion of schedule A property bearing No.10, West by : Pipe Line Road, North by : Dattatreya Temple Street, South by : Krishnaswamy pillais property.	17.03.2021

Place: Bangalore
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3. Name and address of the Borrower and Guarantor/Co-Obligant : 1.T K Raghavendra S/o T R Krishna Murthy, No.198, Kumbar Street, K R Puram, Bangalore-560 036. **2.Ramya G N** W/o T K Raghavendra, No.198, Kumbar Street, K R Puram, Bangalore-560 036. **GUARANTORS : N Krishnamurthy** S/o Narayana RaoNo.15, 5th Cross, U.B.Layout, K R Puram, Bangalore-560 036.
The secured debt for the recovery of which the movable/immovable secured asset is to be sold: A/c No SMTL -11 Rs.70,08,406=00 (Rupees Seventy Lakh Eight Thousand Four Hundred and Six Only) as on 31.10.2020
Demand Notice Dated : 12.11.2020 **Possession Notice Dated : 15.02.2021**
Description of immovable secured assets to be sold : All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing New Municipal No.38, formed in Sy No.44/2, of Mahadevapura City Municipal Council and erstwhile No.16, situated at Chinnappanahalli Village, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, measuring East to West 100feet and North to South 100 feet, totally measuring 10,000 sq.ft and bounded on the East by: Road, West by: Private Property, North by: Private Property, South by: A.E.C.S Layout,
SCHEDUL'B'PROPERTY : Proportionate Undivided share, right, title and interest in the schedule A property measuring 388 Sq.ft.
SCHEDUL'C'PROPERTY : Residential Flat/Apartment 303, Third Floor, having an super Build Area of 2222 Sq.feet, R.C.C Roofing, bricks walls, Mosaic Flooring, Honne Wood Doors and Steel Windows, One earmarked car parking space in the basement floor, the Apartment known as 'SAIRAGH', and provided with all civic amenities like electricity, water and sanitation, now under the limits of BBMP Bangalore assigning new municipal No.146, (Old No.38), Flat No.303, assigned to Mahadevapura Sub-Division, Bangalore.
Reserve Price : Rs.35,00,000 **EMD : Rs.3,50,000/-**

HSR LAYOUT BRANCH

4. Name and address of the Borrower and Guarantor/Co-Obligant : (1) Mr. N Nagesh S/o Narayana Swamy, No.571, 6th Cross, Chenna Keshava Nagara, Hosa Road Electranic City, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560 100. **(2) Mrs.Gowramma** W/o Narayana Swamy, No.571, 6th Cross, Chenna Keshava Nagara, Hosa Road Electranic City, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560 100. **GUARANTORS : Mr. Arun Kumar A** S/o Anthony Francies, No.569, 6th Cross, Chenna Keshava Nagara, Hosa Road Electronic City, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560 100.
The secured debt for the recovery of which the movable/immovable secured asset is to be sold: A/c No.SL-22 Rs.6,37,742=00 (Rupees Six Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Two Only) as on 02.12.2020.
Demand Notice Dated : 08.12.2020 **Possession Notice Dated : 17.02.2021**
Description of immovable secured assets to be sold : ITEM No.1 : All that piece and parcel of the Southern portion of site bearing No.3, carved property No.24/2, Katha No.24/2-3, situated at Beratena Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk presently comes within the limits of BBMP for measuring East to West 32 feet and North to South 20 feet for total measuring 640 Sq.feet thereon and bounded on; East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Nagesh's property, South by: Site No, 4
Reserve Price : Rs.15,00,000/- **EMD : Rs.1,50,000/-**

ITEM No.2 : All that piece and parcel of the Northern portion of site bearing No.3, carved property No.24/2, Katha No.24/2-3, situated at Beratena Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk presently comes within the limits of BBMP for measuring East to West 32 feet and North to South 20 feet for total measuring 640 Sq.feet thereon and bounded on; East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Site No.2, South by: Southern Portion of same site No.3.
Reserve Price : Rs.15,00,000/- **EMD : Rs.1,50,000/-**

ITEM No.3 : All that piece and parcel of the Southern portion of site bearing No.2, carved property No.24/2, Katha No.195, assessment No.24/2, situated at Beratena Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk presently comes within the limits of BBMP for measuring East to West 32 feet and North to South 20 feet for total measuring 640 Sq.feet thereon and bounded on; East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Remaining portion of same site No.2, South by: Site No.3.
Reserve Price : Rs.15,00,000/- **EMD : Rs.1,50,000/-**

BRANCH: KENGERI BRANCH

4. Name and address of the Borrower and Guarantor/Co-Obligant : Mr. Kumar H P S/o H D Puttaiah, No.108, 16th Cross, MTS Layout, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bangalore-560 060. **Guarantor : (1) Mrs. Pavithra P S** W/o Kumar H P,No.108, 16th Cross, MTS Layout, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bangalore-560 060. **(2) Mr. Suresh H C** S/o Chikka Honnaiah H S, No.09, Adarsha Layout, Near Krishna Temple, Jnana Jyothi Nagar, Bengaluru-560056.
The secured debt for the recovery of which the movable/immovable secured asset is to be sold:Rs.67,76,864=00 (Rupees Sixty Seven Lakh Seventy Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Four Only) as on 30.09.2020
Demand Notice Dated : 03.11.2020 **Possession Notice Dated : 16.02.2021**
Description of immovable secured assets to be sold : ITEM No.1, : All that piece and parcel of site bearing No.21, carved in Sy No.38/1, Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, BBMP Ward No.129, for measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet for total 2400 Sq.feet and bounded as follows; East by: Site No.43, West by: Site No.22, North by: Road, South by: Site No.19.
Reserve Price : Rs.54,00,000/- **EMD : Rs.5,40,000/-**

ITEM No.2, : All that piece and parcel of site bearing No.22, carved in Sy No.38/1, Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, BBMP Ward No.129, for measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet for total 2400 Sq.feet and bounded as follows; East by: Site No.21, West by: Road, North by: Road, South by: Site No.20.
Reserve Price : Rs.54,00,000/- **EMD : Rs.5,40,000/-**

ITEM No.3, : All that piece and parcel of site bearing No.7, Katha No.76/2, situated at Valagerehalli Village, Vaddarapalya, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, presently properties comes with in the limits of BBMP, for measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet for total 1200 Sq.feet and bounded as follows; East by: Site No.34, West by: Road, North by: Property No.6, South by: Site No.8.
Reserve Price : 92,00,000/- **EMD : Rs.9,20,000/-**

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Date : 18.03.2021
Place : Bangalore

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The secured debt for the recovery of which the movable/immovable secured asset is to be sold: Rs.1,45,01,217=00 (Rupees One Crore Forty Five Lakh One Thousand Two Hundred and Seventeen Only) as on 30.09.2020
Demand Notice Dated : 03.11.2020 **Possession Notice Dated : 15.02.2021**
Description of immovable secured assets to be sold : All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Sy No.41 for measuring in 1st Block 0-20 Guntas, 2nd Block, 0-08 ½ Guntas of the land and karab 0-01 guntas for total 29 ½ Guntas of the land and property bearing in Sy No.42/3, for measuring 0-04 ½ Guntas for total 34 Guntas of the land, M R No.32/95-965 situated of Dandupalya, Kasaba Hobli, Hosakote Taluk thereon and bounded on; East by: 04 feet road & Settarahalli Narayanappás Property, West by: Sy No.41 & Sy No.42 pertaining to Doddamuniyappa's Property, North by: Sy No.42 belongs to Doddamuniyappa's Property, South by: Malur Road.
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Date : 18.03.2021
Place : Bangalore

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Reserve Price : Rs.6,21,000=00, **EMD : Rs.62,100=00**

ITEM No.2. : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.20, Katha No.7897/2, Door No.6499/2/20 situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara District for measuring East to West on northern side 55 feet on the southern side 54 feet, and North to South 30 feet for total 1635 Sq.feet and bounded on East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Site No.19,South by: Site No.21.
Reserve Price : Rs.7,52,100=00, **EMD : Rs.75,210=00**

ITEM No.3 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.102, Katha No.7899/B, Door No.6501/B/102 situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara District for measuring East to West 45 feet and North to South 30 feet for total 1350 Sq.feet and bounded on East by: Road, West by: Site No.116, North by: Site No.104, South by: Site No.102.
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ITEM No.4 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.103, Katha No.7899/C, Door No.6501/C/103 situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara District for measuring East to West 45 feet and North to South 30 feet for total 1350 Sq.feet and bounded on East by: Road,West by: Site No.117,North by: Site No.103,South by: Site No.101.
Reserve Price : Rs.6,21,000=00, **EMD : Rs.62,100=00**

ITEM No.5 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.105, Katha No.7899/E, Door No.6501/E/105, situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara District for measuring East to West 45 feet and North to South 30 feet for totally 1350 Sq.feet and bounded on East by: Road,West by: Site No.114, North by: Site No.106, South by: Site No.104.
Reserve Price : Rs.6,21,000=00, **EMD : Rs.62,100=00**

ITEM No.6 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.104, Katha No.7899/D, Door No.6501/D/104, situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara District for measuring East to West 45 feet and North to South 30 feet for total 1350 Sq.feet and bounded on East by: Road, West by: Site No.115, North by: Site No.105,South by: Site No.103.
Reserve Price : Rs.6,21,000=00, **EMD : Rs.62,100=00**

ITEM No.7 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.57, Katha No.7895/24, Door No.6497/34/57, situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara District for measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 45 feet for total 1350 Sq.feet and bounded on East by: Site No.58,West by: Site No.56, North by: Road, South by: Site No.36.
Reserve Price : Rs.6,21,000=00, **EMD : Rs.62,100=00**

ITEM No.8 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.147, Katha No.7902/6, Door No.6504/6/147, situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagar District for measuring East to West on Northern side 41.8 feet, on the southern side 42.6 feet, North to South 30 feet for totally 1266.sq.feet and bounded on East by: Road, West by: Yelekre Village, North by: Site No.148,South by: Site No.146.
Reserve Price : Rs.5,82,360=00, **EMD : Rs.58,236=00**

ITEM No.9 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.97, Katha No.7894/4/E, Door No.6496/4/97, situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagar District for measuring East to West 40 feet, and North to South 30 feet for total 1200.sq.feet and bounded on East by: Site No.82, West by: Road, North by: Site No.96, South by: Site No.98.
Reserve Price : Rs.5,52,000=00, **EMD : Rs.55,200=00**

ITEM No.10 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.151, Katha No.7901/2, Door No.6503/2/151, situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara District for measuring East to West 30 feet, and North to South 35 feet for total 1050.sq.feet and bounded on East by: Site No.150, West by: Site No.152, North by: Road, South by: Yelekere Village.
Reserve Price : Rs.4,83,000=00, **EMD : Rs.48,300=00**

ITEM No.11 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.140, Katha No.7902/3, Door No.6504/3/140, situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara District for measuring East to West 30 feet, and North to South 40 feet for total 1200.sq.feet and bounded on East by: Road,West by: Part of the same site and water tank. North by: Site No.141, South by: Road.
Reserve Price : Rs.5,52,000=00, **EMD : Rs.55,200=00**

ITEM No.12 : All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted (vide conversion bearing No.ALN (C) SR 18/2003-04 dated 14.01.2004) vacant site bearing No.141, Katha No.7902/4, Door No.6504/4/141, situated at ward No.15, Channapatna Town 'A' Division, Yelekere New Extension, Channapatna, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara District for measuring East to West 45.75 feet, and North to South 30 feet for total 1372.5.sq.feet and bounded on East by: Road, West by: Yelekere Village, North by: Site No.142, South by: Site No.140 & Water tank.
Reserve Price : Rs.6,52,540=00, **EMD : Rs.65,254=00**

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Colombo	30	25	TDS	Melbourne	24	16	TDS
Dhaka	28	16	SNY	Moscow	-8	-15	LC
Dubai	26	17	SNY	New York	7	0	LC
Houston	20	9	SNY	Singapore	32	24	TDS
Istanbul	16	7	LC	Toronto	3	-1	LC
London	10	2	LC	Washington	13	-1	LC

Myanmar junta to bring new corruption charge against Suu Kyi

Enovy to UN faces arrest over speech

A Myanmar court has issued an arrest warrant for the country's UN ambassador, Kyaw Moe Tun, on charges of treason, a local newspaper reported. The charge stems from his remarks on February 26 at the UN headquarters, in which he condemned the coup and appealed for "the strongest possible action from the international community" to restore democracy. Also charged with treason was Mahn Win Khaing Than, the civilian leader of Myanmar's government in hiding, the newspaper said. He had vowed to continue supporting a "revolution" against the military

Soldiers use bulldozer to remove sandbag barricades put in place by anti-coup protesters in Mandalay on Thursday | AFP

YANGON

MYANMAR'S ousted civilian leader Aung San Suu Kyi faces fresh corruption charges from the ruling junta that could ensure she would never be able to return to politics.

The February 1 coup that removed Suu Kyi's government has brought hundreds of thousands onto the streets to confront the generals, who have responded with a brutal crackdown that has left at least 200 dead. The new military regime has already issued several criminal charges against the Nobel laureate since she was detained alongside top political allies, including owning unlicensed walkie-talkies and violating Covid restrictions.

On Wednesday night, military broadcaster Myawady aired a video of a Myanmar businessman confessing to giving her a total of $5,50,000 over several years.

Maung Weik said he had donated money to senior government figures for the good of his business. "Aung San Suu Kyi committed corruption and (authorities) are preparing to charge her according to anti-corruption law," an announcer said during the broadcast.

This is not the first time corruption allegations have been lodged against her.

Last week a junta spokesman said a now-detained chief minister had admitted to giving her $600,000 and more than 10 kilograms (22 pounds) of gold bars. "Those accusations are groundless," Suu Kyi's lawyer Khin Maung Zaw told AFP.

"Aung San Suu Kyi may have her defects... but bribery and corruption are not her traits," he said, adding most people in Myanmar will not believe the allegations. However a conviction for bribery in a case against her "personal character" could see Suu Kyi "prohibited from taking part in political activities," Zaw told AFP.

A state-run newspaper also reported on Thursday a charity foundation, named after Suu Kyi's mother, is also under investigation and is accused of not paying enough fees on land it uses that is owned by the state. "Further extensive investigation is being conducted into Daw Khin Kyi Foundation's cash flow, expenditure and savings," the *Global New Light of Myanmar* said.

Soldiers and police terrorised several battle-scarred Yangon neighbourhoods Wednesday night, as a mobile data blockade combined with an internet shutdown pushed scared residents further into an information blackout.

"Security forces threatened to shoot" residents if they did not remove the barricades that demonstrators have built across Yangon as they battle authorities, according to a resident *Agencies*

It takes one to know one, Putin on 'killer' jibe

MOSCOW

RUSSIAN President Vladimir Putin on Thursday mocked US President Joe Biden for calling him a "killer"—saying "it takes one to know one"—as ties between Moscow and Washington sank to new lows.

Biden's comments sparked the biggest crisis between Russia and the United States in years, with Moscow recalling its ambassador for consultations and warning that ties were on the brink of outright "collapse".

"We always see in another person our own qualities and think that he is the same as us," Putin said, referring to Biden's "killer" comment.

"It takes one to know one," Putin added, citing a saying from his Soviet-era childhood in Saint Petersburg, formerly known as Leningrad.

"That's not just a children's saying and a joke. There's a deep psychological meaning in this," Putin said. *AFP*

SPAIN LEGALISES EUTHANASIA

Spanish lawmakers voted on Thursday to legalise euthanasia, making Spain the sixth country in the world, and the fourth in Europe, to allow physician-assisted suicide and euthanasia for long-suffering patients with incurable diseases

FOURTH IN EUROPE

The vote, which passed by 202 in favour and 141 against and two abstentions, makes Spain the fourth European nation to decriminalise assisted suicide

Although Portugal's parliament passed a similar law in January, it was blocked this week by the Constitutional Court

THE FAR-RIGHT IS UPSET

The move has been roundly rejected by the Catholic Church and Spain's right and far-right opposition

> Today we have become a country that is more humane, fairer and freer. The euthanasia law, widely demanded by society, has finally become a reality
> — Pedro Sanchez, Prime Minister

WITH LOTS OF RESTRICTIONS IN PLACE

The legislation allows anyone with a "serious or incurable illness" or a "chronic or incapacitating" condition to request help dying, thereby avoiding "intolerable suffering"

The Spanish legislation will permit euthanasia in which medical staff intentionally end a life to relieve suffering, and assisted suicide in which it is the patient who carries out the procedure

However, the patient must be a Spanish national or a legal resident and must be "fully aware and conscious" when they make the request, which must be submitted twice in writing, 15 days apart

However a doctor can reject the request if the requirements have not been met; it must be approved by a second medic and by an evaluation body

US Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin, Secretary of State Antony Blinken, South Korean President Moon Jae-in, Foreign Minister Chung Eui-yong and Defence Minister Suh Wook pose for a photo in Seoul on Thursday | AP

US says Nord Stream 2 entities face penalty

America's top diplomat called on Thursday for any entity involved in the Nord Stream 2 gas pipeline project between Russia and Germany to disengage immediately or face US sanctions

> **China has no room for compromise on issues concerning its sovereignty, security and core interests. The US should meet China halfway and conduct the dialogue in a sincere manner**
> Chinese foreign ministry

Stern China ready for 1st talks with Biden admin

Says no concession on key issues including Xinjiang, Hong Kong

BEIJING

CHINA'S foreign ministry said on Thursday that it would not make any concessions to the US on key issues including Xinjiang and Hong Kong, ahead of high-level meetings between the two countries' diplomats in Alaska.

Secretary of State Antony Blinken and White House national security adviser Jake Sullivan are set for talks with senior Chinese official Yang Jiechi and Foreign Minister Wang Yi later Thursday.

It is the highest-level face-to-face diplomatic meeting between the two countries since US President Joe Biden took office. China wants a reset in relations, which were pitched into turmoil by Donald Trump's presidency, which brought a damaging trade war and spats over everything from defence to tech and rights in Hong Kong.

But, as the diplomats landed in Alaska hours ahead of the talks, a foreign ministry spokesman in Beijing issued a warning to Washington.

"China has no room for compromise on issues concerning its sovereignty, security and core interests," spokesman Zhao Lijian told reporters.

Zhao urged the United States against talking tough and engaging in "megaphone diplomacy" toward China after Washington said it intended to show its firmness against Beijing after a round of alliance-building across Asia. "The US should meet China halfway and conduct the dialogue in a sincere and constructive manner," Zhao said. No agreements are expected.

The Alaska talks will be the first between the powers since Yang met Blinken's hawkish predecessor Mike Pompeo last June in Hawaii—a setting similarly far from the high-stakes glare of national capitals.

The American diplomats aim to be on the front foot in the talks, US officials have said. The US plans to express "deep concerns" about the treatment of the Uighur minority in Xinjiang, a crackdown in Hong Kong, Chinese "economic coercion" and Beijing's "increasingly aggressive" stance towards Taiwan.

Those are all issues China has defended in the past as domestic affairs and matters of national sovereignty. *AFP*

EXPRESS READ

Russia urges speedy Afghan peace deal

Moscow: Russia on Thursday urged Afghan officials and the Taliban during talks in Moscow to reach an accord to end years of violence ahead of a deadline for US troops to withdraw from Afghanistan.Taliban co-founder and deputy leader Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar told the Moscow conference that Afghans "should be left to decide their own fate", a Taliban spokesman said.

Secret Service detains man with assault rifle near Harris' residence

WASHINGTON

A 31-year-old man has been arrested outside US Vice President Kamala Harris' official residence in Washington, DC on weapons and ammunition charges, according to media reports.

The arrest comes as the district is in a state of heightened security following the January 6 insurrection attempt at the US Capitol. Harris and her husband, Doug Emhoff, do not currently live at the Naval Observatory, as the official residence of the US Vice President is undergoing renovation. The couple is living at Blair House, near the White House.

The man from Texas was detained by US Secret Service on Wednesday following an intelligence bulletin, a spokesperson for Washington's Metropolitan Police was quoted as saying by CNN. Police said the officers arrested and charged Paul Murray, of San Antonio, and that a rifle and ammunition were recovered from his vehicle, it said. A police report shows officers allege Murray was in possession of an "AR-15 semi-automatic rifle, 113 rounds of unregistered ammunition, and five 30 round magazines."

According to police, he's been charged with several counts: carrying a dangerous weapon, carrying a rifle or shotgun outside of a business, possession of unregistered ammunition and possession of a large capacity ammunition feeding device. The US Secret Service told CNN in a statement that Uniformed Division officers detained the man before Metropolitan Police arrived on the scene. *AFP*

Kamala Harris | AFP

IN FRANCE

Court rejects rape as force was not used

PARIS

FRANCE'S highest court on Wednesday rejected a bid by a woman to have three firefighters charged with rape instead of sexual abuse against her while she was in her early teenage years.

Julie (not her real name) alleges rape by more than 20 firefighters in the Paris area between 2008 and 2010, when she was aged between 13 and 15 and receiving treatment for severe anxiety attacks. During that period she was hospitalised more than 130 times by the national ambulance service staffed by firefighters. Three firefighters are charged with sexual abuse of a minor, a crime punishable by up to 10 years in prison.

Julie and her family say they as well as 17 others should be tried for rape, which carries a 20-year term, but which under current French law requires proving the use of "force, threat, violence or surprise", including if the victim is a child. But the Court of Cassation, France's final court of appeal, rejected their request.

Covid-sceptic prez dies after infection rumours

DAR ES SALAAM

TANZANIA on Thursday mourned the sudden death of its President John Magufuli, an authoritarian leader and Covid sceptic who leaves behind a divided legacy and a question mark over his fatal illness.

Flags flew at half-mast as the country began a 14-day mourning period after Vice President Samia Suluhu Hassan announced Magufuli had died Wednesday of a "heart condition" in a hospital.

Under Tanzania's constitution, Hassan should become the country's first female president and will finish Magufuli's five year term, ruling until 2025. The government had previously denied Magufuli was ill as pressure mounted to explain his almost three-week absence from public view, which sparked rumours he was seeking treatment abroad for coronavirus.

Several people were arrested this week for spreading rumours over his ill-health on social media.

As condolences poured in from abroad, main opposition leader Tundu Lissu, shot 16 times in a 2017 assassination attempt and exiled in Belgium, described Magufuli's death as "poetic justice", insisting his sources said he had succumbed to Covid-19 a week ago.

President John Magufuli | AFP

"Magufuli died of corona. That is one. Number two, Magufuli did not die this evening," he told Kenya's *KTN News*.

"What should I say? It is poetic justice. President Magufuli defied the world on the struggle against corona... He defied science... And what has happened, happened. He went down with corona."

Tanzania's ruling Chama Cha Mapinduzi (CCM) party told journalists there would be a special meeting of its central committee on Saturday, as the country awaits news on the funeral arrangements. *AFP*

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Sl. No.	Name of the work	Estimated cost
1	Supply of Ductile Iron Pipes for water supply in different ULBs (17nos.) under P. H. Division, Bhanjanagar for different State Plan works during 2020-21	Rs.743.51lakh

N.B:- The estimated cost may be read as Rs.743.51 lakh instead of Rs.751.14 lakh and all other terms and conditions remain unaltered.
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File No-B-I-(C)-4/2019 No.- 11907 Dt. 17th March. 2021
Invitation for Bids
B-829 **Bid Identification No. EIC (B) –18 / 2020-21**

1.	The Engineer-in-Chief (Buildings) Odisha, Bhubaneswar, on behalf of Governor of Odisha, invites percentage rate bids in double cover system in **ONLINE MODE** only, for Construction of Building works as detailed below.		
2.	Nature of work	:	**Building works**
3.	No. of work	:	**01 nos.**
4.	Bid Cost.	:	**₹.10,000/- (each)**
5.	Class of Contractor	:	Super Class
6.	Availability of Bid Documents in the website	:	From dt. 23.03.2021 to 17.00 Hours of dt.12.04.2021.
7.	Date of Opening of Bid	:	Dt. 13.04.2021 at 11:30 AM.
8.	The Bidders have to participate in **ONLINE** bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website **: https://tendersodisha.gov.in.** Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only.		

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File No-B-IV-H-(H&D)-38/2019 Lr. No.- 10639 / Bhubaneswar, the 10th March. 2021
Invitation for Bids
B-828 **Bid Identification No. EIC (B) –17 / 2020-21**

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3.	No. of work	:	**01 nos.**
4.	Bid Cost.	:	**₹.10,000/- (each)**
5.	Class of Contractor	:	Super
6.	Availability of Bid Documents in the website	:	From dt. 26.03.2021 to 17.00 Hours of dt.16.04.2021.
7.	Date of Opening of Bid	:	Dt. 19.04.2021 at 11:30 AM.
8.	The Bidders have to participate in **ONLINE** bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website **: https://tendersodisha.gov.in.** Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only.		

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Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
585.1 ▼	Sensex	49,216.52	₹7 ▲	24 carat (1 gm)	₹4,486	₹395 ▲	Per kg	₹67,049	▲ Dollar	72.53
163.45 ▼	Nifty	14,557.85	₹7 ▲	22 carat (1 gm)	₹4,468	₹0.4 ▲	Per gm	₹67	▼ Euro	86.65

Government announces Vehicle Scrapping Policy

Draft notification to be published by the transport ministry within the next few weeks in order to solicit comments from stakeholders

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

UNION transport minister Nitin Gadkari on Thursday finally announced the finer details of the long-awaited Vehicle Scrapping Policy. As expected, the policy proposes to de-register commercial vehicles after 15 years and private vehicles after 20 years if they fail to pass an automated fitness test.

Gadkari also announced incentives for those opting to scrap their old vehicles. The scrap value will be around 4-6 per cent of the ex-showroom price of a new vehicle and the government will advise manufacturers to provide a discount of 5 per cent on new vehicles if the buyer produces a scrapping certificate. State governments will also be advised to offer a road- tax rebate of up to 25 per cent for personal vehicles and up to 15 per cent for commercial vehicles. Registration fees may also be waived for new vehicles against a scrapping certificate. Vehicles that fail to get a fitness certificate will be de-registered and scrapped. As a disincentive measure, the policy proposes increased fees for fitness certificates and tests for vehicles 15 years past their intial registration date.

Government and PSU-owned vehicles will be automatically scrapped after 15 years. However, vintage cars will be kept out of the policy's ambit.

According to government estimates, there are 51 lakh light motor vehicles that are older than 20 years and 34 lakh light motor vehicles that are older than 15 years. Around 17 lakh medium and heavy commercial vehicles older than 15 years lack a valid fitness certificate.

According to Gadkari, the ecosystem is expected to attract additional investments of around ₹10,000 crore and 35,000 job opportunities due to the policy. Auto industry association SIAM noted that the most important step would be to build infrastructure for testing and scrapping rapidly and that they would work with the Centre this front. Such centres are non-existent at present.

Rules for fitness tests and scrapping centres will come into effect from October 1, 2021. Meanwhile, mandatory fitness testing for HCVs will start from April 1, 2023, and for categories from June 1, 2024.

Union transport minister Nitin Gadkari announces the highly awaited Vehicle Scrapping Policy at Transport Bhawan in New Delhi on Thursday | PARVEEN NEGI

By using the raw material from scrapped vehicles, not only will the price of new vehicles come down, but so will maintenance cost. It will also help in generating more employment.—Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister

5%	25%	15%
Discount on new vehicles	Road tax rebate for private vehicles	Road tax rebate for CVs

Edelweiss stock dives after reports of MCA probe

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
@ New Delhi

SHARES of Edelweiss Financial Services Ltd declined 5 per cent on Thursday after media reports alleged that a whistleblower letter has accused the promoters of diverting ₹1,800 crore from its ARC and that the Ministry of Corporate Affairs has initiated a probe into the matter. The company denied the reports.

While the MCA spokesperson could not be reached, sources in the ministry confirmed that the MCA has received such a letter but that no official probe has been started.

Media reports had stated on Thursday that a probe had been initiated against the company after whistleblower—Paras Kuhad, a former additional solicitor general of India—alleged that the Edelweiss Group, the controlling shareholder of the asset reconstruction company along with its partner Canadian pension fund Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (CDPQ), diverted at least ₹1,800 crore from EARC. They further said that Kuhad had written to the PMO and that the corporate affairs ministry has ordered an inspection into Edelweiss ARC's books.

Whenever a letter of corporate fraud comes to the Prime Minister's Office, it is being forwarded to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs. There had been a letter but no official probe has been started yet
MCA official

"Whenever a letter of corporate fraud comes to the PMO, it is being forwarded to the MCA. There had been a letter but no official probe has started yet," a senior official in the MCA said, refusing to comment on any future course of action.

In response to a clarification request from the stock exchanges, Edelweiss said: "We would like to clarify that Edelweiss Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd (EARC) has not received any intimation of any inspection being conducted by the MCA". It added that it was in full compliance with the applicable laws, and has been conducting operations in a fair and transparent manner.

The stock dived post the development, dropping 4.98 per cent in value to close at ₹80.20 on the BSE.

QUALIFICATION NORMS TIGHTENED FOR ADVISORS

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU
@ New Delhi

MARKET regulator Securities and Exchanges Board of India (SEBI) on Thursday notified new regulations for portfolio managers, investment advisers and research analysts that significantly increase required qualifications for the crucial, retail-investor facing market sector.

In three separate notifications issued on Tuesday, SEBI said that the amended regulations for portfolio managers, investment advisers and research analysts will help recognise "the post graduate programme in securities market of not less than one year offered by NISM" as eligible qualification for portfolio managers, investment advisers and research analysts.

With regard to the new qualification required for portfolio managers operating in the Indian stock markets and investment firms, SEBI said that a portfolio manager will now need to have a professional qualification in finance, law, accountancy or business management from a university or an institution recognised by a recognised university or a professional qualification by completing a Post Graduate Program in the Securities Market (Portfolio Management) from the NISM (National Institute of Securities Markets).

1-year
PG degree minimum

The post graduate programme from NISM should not be less than one year duration. The NISM is an Indian public trust and the statutory professional body for financial market dealers in India. The regulator also amended the PMS (Portfolio Management Services) regulations with respect to the NISM certification requirements.

74% FDI cap in insurance sector is only upper limit, not compulsion: FM

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

FINANCE Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Thursday said that the limit of 74 per cent foreign direct investment (FDI) in the insurance companies is not a compulsion and is aimed at improving life insurance penetration in the country.

"Increasing limit doesn't mean automatic foreign investment to that level to all companies. Every company will decide for themselves, whether they want that money, to what extent, and so on. So, this enabling amendment is only to allow them to receive some money but not exceed 74 per cent," Sitharaman said during a debate over the Insurance Bill in Parliament. The Rajya Sabha on Thursday passed the Insurance (Amendment) Bill, 2021, hiking FDI cap in insurance.

Defending the Bill, Sitharaman said that the decision to increase the FDI limit was taken after sector regulator IRDAI held detailed consultations with stakeholders and that there were enough safeguards to protect the interest of claimants. Policyholders' money will have to be invested within India, she added.

The finance minister said that India had received FDI worth ₹26,000 crore in the insurance sector since 2015 when the foreign investment limit was raised to 49 per cent from 24 per cent.

According to the amended bill, the majority of directors on the board of insurance companies and key management will have to be resident Indians, with at least 50 per cent of directors being independent directors, and a specified percentage of profits being retained as a general reserve.

Increasing limit doesn't mean automatic foreign investment to that level in all companies. Every company will decide for themselves, whether they want that money—Nirmala Sitharaman, Union Minister

EXPRESS READ

LIC eases policy claim settlement process

New Delhi: To mitigate the hardships faced by customers, LIC on Thursday said policyholders can deposit their maturity claim documents at their nearest LIC office anywhere in the country till March 31. Offices will receive maturity claims from policyholders irrespective of the servicing branch.

'Policies cover adverse vaccine reactions too'

New Delhi: Insurance regulator IRDAI on Thursday said hospitalisation of a policy holder due to any adverse reaction after COVID vaccination will be covered under health insurance policies, subject to conditions. The regulator was responding to media reports raising doubts over the applicable coverage.

TODAY'S STOCK PICK

Current Price ₹100.5
Target Price ₹123
TATA POWER

We maintain a Buy on Tata Power taking into account the recent takeover of Odisha DISCOMs; higher EPC profitability; benefits from the merger of CGPL and Tata Power Solar with itself; and higher valuations for renewable business. Improvement was led by interest cost reduction and profitability in its Odisha distribution business.

— Motilal Oswal Securities Limited

Disclaimer: The views and recommendations made above are that of the individual analyst or broking company, and not that of *The New Indian Express*.

Absence of loan waiver promise in WB a relief for Bandhan Bank, MFIs

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

IT is election season. But unlike Assam, the Trinamool Congress party in West Bengal has not promised loan waivers—a choice that has brought some relief to not just micro-lenders, but also commercial banks amid concerns of worsening asset quality, analysts at brokerage firm Jefferies say.

"TMC's election manifesto was released recently... and interestingly, it does not explicitly propose any waiver for micro-borrowers, which should be a relief for microfinance institutions (MFIs) and Bandhan Bank," Jefferies said. West Bengal accounts for 47 per cent of Bandhan Bank's microfinance portfolio, while 16 per cent originate from Assam.

Waivers, the Jefferies note said, bode ill for a state's credit culture and Bandhan Bank is among those banks which have felt the heat. In the quarter ended December, the Kolkata-based lender's pro forma gross non-performing assets (GNPAs) rose to 7.12 per cent, a solid chunk of which has come from delayed microloan payments.

47%
of Bandhan portfolio from WB

While the bank management has guided for a recovery in 2-3 months, others aren't quite sure. Much will depend on how the recently passed Assam Microfinance Bill is implemented.

After Assam passed the bill in December following a series of reports of coercive lending, accompanied by the promise of a loan waiver, Bandhan Bank has witnessed a 10-percentage point contraction in collection efficiency between the December quarter and January 1-16.

Collection has dipped in West Bengal too, but by a meagre 1 percentage point. According to a Emkay report released January, Assam has seen sharp growth in disbursements over the past few years, albeit on a small base. Even a partial waiver of loans will directly impact lenders such as Bandhan Bank, the analysts said.

Skoda eyes an India comeback with the Kushaq SUV

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

SKODA on Thursday unveiled the Kushaq SUV, the first car launched as part of its ambitious India 2.0 project. Skoda's SUV is likely to be priced in the range of ₹11-16 lakh and will face competition from established players such as Hyundai Creta and Kia Seltos.

Orders for Kushaq will be taken from June, with the first unit expected to be delivered in July, the company said.

The new model is has a wheelbase of 2651 mm, making it one of the longest vehicles in the segment and it will come with two turbocharged petrol engine options. There is a 1.0-litre three-cylinder 115ps engine and a 1.5-litre four-cylinder, 150ps unit, both of which will have both manual and automatic transmission options. The Kushaq will be offered in five colour variants.

The Kushaq SUV comes in two turbocharged petrol engine options | EXPRESS

Business & Beyond

SAIL observes Swachhta Pakhwada 2021 with pledge, awareness drives

Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) is observing 'Swachhta Pakhwada 2021' from March 16-31 across all its plants and units. Soma Mondal, Chairman, SAIL administered the swachhta pledge to a cross section of employees on March 16 at SAIL's headquarters at Lodi Road, New Delhi. The pledge was followed by a cleanliness drive and activities to promote awareness.

Nitesh Ranjan takes charge as ED of Union Bank of India

Nitesh Ranjan assumed charge as the Executive Director of Union Bank of India on March 10, 2021 after being appointed to the post by the Central Government. Ranjan has been with the Bank since 2008 and, prior to this, he was the head of Treasury operations. He also occupied several important positions in the Bank, namely, Chief Investor Relations Officer, Head of Balance-Sheet Management Group, Chief Economist, and Regional Head.

Life Insurance Corporation launches new plan called Bachat Plus

Life Insurance Corporation of India has introduced Bachat Plus-a Non-Linked, Participating, Individual, Savings Plan which offers a combination of protection and savings. It provides financial support for the family of the deceased policyholder any time before maturity and a lump sum amount at the time of maturity for the surviving policyholders. Proposer can choose to pay the premium either as a Lumpsum (Single Premium) or for a limited period of 5 years. The plan can be purchased Offline through agents as well as Online directly on www.licindia.in.

NBCC'S WTC Delhi project offers many opportunites for investors

NBCC (India) Ltd. has been entrusted by the government with the development and sale of WTC Nauroji Nagar. This landmark project, NBCC said, is set to become the most preferred business destination of the capital with state-of-art amenities such as a dedicated space for cultural activities, well-equipped Conference Rooms, Auditoria, and Board Rooms. The project is being developed on a prime location in South Delhi.

Central Bank of India welcomes two newly appointed Executive Directors

State-owned Central Bank of India has welcomed two newly appointed executive directors Vivek Wahi and Rajeev Puri. Prior to this, Vivek Wahi worked as a General Manager at the Bank of India and Rajeev Puri as Chief General Manager with the Punjab National Bank. Wahi has rich banking experience across fields such as Branch Banking, Overseas Dealing Room, Large Corporates Credit Branch, etc. Puri, a Certified Associate of Indian Institute of Bankers, headed important verticals such as MSME & Mid Corporate, Agriculture, Retail Lending, and Financial Inclusion Division at PNB.

OFB units celebrates Ordnance Factory Day

Ordnance Factory Day is observed every year on March 18 to commemorate the foundation of the first Ordnance Factory at Cossipore near Kolkata in 1801. The Ordnance Factories organisation today comprises 41 factories organised into five operational divisions of the Ordnance Factory Board (OFB) and constitute a defence production conglomerate with the widest range of products in the world. The current indigenous content of the products is over 90%.

SAIL announces story writing competition

Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has launched a story writing competition on the theme "SAIL Steel - Building Nation, Transforming Lives" as part of its people engagement initiative. SAIL has issued a detailed notice on its website www.sail.co.in and any Indian citizen, including employees of SAIL and their families, can participate. The word limit is 800 words and it is to be sent to sailstory2021@gmail.com by May 3, 2021.

ESTD: 1907

THE BANGALORE CITY CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

Administrative Office: # 3, PAMPAMAHAKAVI ROAD, CHAMARAJAPET, BANGALORE –18. Ph. : 26678572 : 26600512 : 26609066.
General Manager : 26617980 : Tele Fax : (080) 26617980

SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION

Auction Sale under the Securitization & Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act 2002 of the Immovable properties mortgaged to **The Bangalore City Co-Operative Bank Ltd.,** is brought to Sale under **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION"**.

Sl No	Name of the Borrower & Address Description of property	Boundaries & Measurement	Amount of Secured debt	Date of Public Auction
1.	**Smt. Anuradha Prasanna. M** No.100, 7th Main MC Layout Vijayanagar, Benglauru-40. **1st Property** : Corner Site No. 430, situated in 78A-01G, Sy No.s 17, 18/1 to 6, 20, 23, 30,31,32,36/1, 37, 64, 71, 95, 96,97,98, 112(19), 135 to 137 (17) of nagarabhavi Village Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bengaluru District Bengaluru, Private layout, formed by Sri. Vinayaka House Building Co Operative Society Ltd. Nagarabhavi 2nd Stage, Bengaluru.	**East to West : 40 feet & North to South : 60 feet** **East by : Site No. 431** **West by : Road** **North by : Road** **South by : Site No. 446**	**Rs. 1,89,43,332/-** **(Interest from 15.03.2021)** **Notice Date : 16.03.2021** **Reserve Price** **Rs. 2,17,20,000/-**	**22-04-2021** **10 : 00 A.M**
	Smt. Anuradha Prasanna. M No.100, 7th Main MC Layout Vijayanagar, Benglauru-40. **2nd Property :** No.100, 17th Cross, MRCR BBMP Ward No. 36 of Govindarajanagar, PID No. 36-76-100, Bengaluru.	**East to West : 60 feet & North to South : 90 feet** **East by : Property No. 101** **West by : Property No. 99** **North by : Property No. 108** **South by : Road**	**Rs. 5,80,38,775/-** **(Interest from 15.03.2021)** **Notice Date : 16.03.2021** **Reserve Price** **Rs. 5,92,40,000/-**	**22-04-2021** **11 : 00 A.M**
	Smt. Anuradha Prasanna. M No.100, 7th Main MC Layout Vijayanagar, Benglauru-40. 3rd property: New No. 19, Old Site No. 999, formed by the BDA , situated at 30 feet Road, Railway Line, pipe line, chord Road, Extension, Hampi Nagar, Bengaluru Previously known as presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No. 34 of RPC layout with PID No. 34-113-19, Bengaluru.	**East to West : 90 feet & North to South : 60 feet** **East by : Site No. 1014** **West by : Road** **North by : Site No. 1000** **South by : Site No. 998**	**Rs. 2,38,25,940/-** **(Interest from 15.03.2021)** **Notice Date : 16.03.2021** **Reserve Price** **Rs. 6,18,59,000/-**	**22-04-2021** **12 : 00 P.M**
			Total Reserve Price Rs. 14,28,19,000/-	

(1) The public auction will be conducted in the premises of Administrative office, No.3, Pampa Maha kavi Road, Chamarajapet, Bangalore-18. (2) For participation in the auction the intending bidder have to deposit an amount equivalent to 10 % of the Reserve price of the property being cautioned deposit. The cautioned deposit shall be forfeited by the bank without any prior notice, If the successful bidder fails to Adhere to the terms of Sale, time and commits default in any manner. (3) The successful bidders should deposit 25 % of the bid amount on the same day at the sale in cash/D.D. to the bank and the balance Within 15 days from the date of sale. (4) The Successful bidders shall bear all expenses like st duty Registration fee etc., for getting the sale certificate Registered in his/her favour. (5) The authorized officer shall have powers to accept or reject bids or postpone / cancel the auction without assigning any reasons thereof. (6) For inspection of the property and other particular, the intending bidders may contact the undersigned at The Bangalore City Co. operative Bank ltd., Administrative office, or through phone No.26678572 / 26600512, they are at liberty to make their own Assessment / enquiry about the property.

Date : 18.03.2021
Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorized Officer
The Bangalore City Co-operative Bank Ltd.,

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring to the notice of the General Public that, my client **Mr. Bharath Chandrashekar,** aged 29 years, S/o. G. Chandrashekar, R/at No. 536, 31st Main, 1st Cross, BSK 3rd Stage, Bangalore-560085 has Lost/ Misplaced 1) Original Sale Deed Vide Document No. ANK-1-29379-2004-05, recorded in CD No. ANKD56 on 30-03-2005 2) Original Sale Deed Vide Document No. ANK-1-29376-2004-05, recorded in CD No. ANKD56 on 30-03-2005 registered in the office of the Sub Registrar Anekal. situated at Site No. 10 & 11, Muthanallur Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk Bangalore District, measuring 80x50 feet. My client has also lodged a compliant through online on 05-03-2021, vide report No. 065113/2021, against acknowledgement. All the persons are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transactions with anyone on the basis of the said missing documents. If anyone has already carried out or being carried out kindly inform the undersigned in writing on the below mentioned address **within 7 days** from this present.

M. Nagaraj, Advocate
102, 2nd Floor, Behind St. John's School, Mariyannapalya, Hebbal, Bengaluru-560024.
M : 9448087610,
email : nagaraj.advocate@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

To whomsoever it may concern that the Property Survey Numbered Land Bearing Number 146/3 Measuring 21 Guntas situated in Nelamangala Kasaba Hobli - Nelamangala Taluk- Nelamanagala - Bangalore Rural District. Originally belongs to Late Bhaskara Setty and son Siddarama Setty and Narayana Murthy Alias Narayana Setty all are deceased and No more.

Below stated 02 persons claiming ther right to succession of the property by inheritance as legal representatives of above stated deceased persons. In related to the above-mentioned property any body claiming rights, claims, inheritance, succession or encumbrance, any other whatsoever in nature. The persons may put forth their claim in writing with all supporting documents to undersigned within **07 days** from the date of this publication. Without valid proof no claims are entertainable. The below stated persons I.E, B S Narayana Murthy Alias Narayana Setty sons are claiming right to succession exclusively as per the procedure of law.

(1) B S BHASKAR (2) B S JAYA SHANKAR
#164, SR Market, Lakshman Rao Road
Chickpete, Bangalore 560053.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Our client **Sri. Abhinav Krishna Jayaram** is the co-owner of the **property bearing Sy. No.329 measuring 2 acres 23 guntas situated at Betta Halasuru Village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk** along with his brother.

Our client had entered into an agreement of sale dated 29/04/2019 with **Sri.Ashokan.K,** S/o.Late.Sri.S.Kannan R/at No.174, Bharathinagar, Bangalore for the purpose of selling his share in the aforesaid property however since Sri.Ashokan.K could not fulfill the terms and conditions contained in the agreement supra, the same stands cancelled and confirmed the cancellation under a reply notice dated 17/12/2020.

Now my client came to know that based on the cancelled agreement between the parties, Sri.Ashokan.K is fraudulently entering into agreements of sale with several purchasers with fabricated documents and accepting the consideration from the proposed purchasers.

My client further states that since there is no contract or any agreements in existence with said Sri. Ashokan. K if any one agrees to purchase or enter into any agreement with him to purchase the property in part or in whole, the same will be at their own risk, cost and consequences and my client will not be held responsible for any such act or agreements.

Sd/-
C.P. SAJEEV & JAISRI.S.KRISHNAN,
ADVOCATES,
No.34 & 35, 1st Floor, 8th Main, 13th Cross, Malleswaram, Bangalore-560 003.
Ph.Nos. 98452 00930 and 98807 48335
E-mail : krishnan.jaisri@gmail.com

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES (BANKING DIVISION)

DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-1, BENGALURU

1st Floor, Jeevan Mangal Building No.4 Residency Road, Bangalore 560 025. 080-22244324 Fax: 080 – 22244325/326.

REGISTERED A/D / DASTI / AFFIXATION / BEAT OF DRUM **FORM NO. 22** **[See Regulation – 37(1)]**

SALE PROCLAMATION

OFFICE OF THE RECOVERY OFFICER -2 IN THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-I AT BANGALORE

DCP 13950 in OA No 404/2016

Proclamation Of Sale Under Rules 38, 52(2) Of The Second Schedule To The Income-tax 1961, Read With The Recovery Of Debts Due To Bank And Financial Institutions Act, 1993

BETWEEN : CANARA BANK V. M/s J.M.J POWER BACKUP SYSTEMS & ORS

Certified Debtors : 1. M/s. J.M.J. POWER BACKUP SYSTEMS, A Proprietary Concern, Represented by its proprietor: Sri. D. STEPHAN RAJ S/o Sri. K. DANIEL, No. 33, Old Race Course Road (ORC Road) Austin Town, Bangalore - 560047. **2. SRI. D. STEPHAN RAJ** S/o SRI K. DANIEL **Proprietor: M/s JMJ power Backup Syatems,** No. 51, Ground Floor, Rajagopal Mudaliar Street, Austin Town, Bangalore - 560047. **3. SMT. A. CHRISTENAJESMAN** W/o SRI. D, STEPHAN RAJ, No. 51, Ground Floor, Rajagopal Mudaliar Street, Austin Town, Bangalore-560047. **4. SMT. KANCHANA V.L.A.** W/o SRI. GEORGE FERNANDEZ, R.at: #28, Muniyappa Block, "Jesus Gift", 7th Cross, Rose Garden, Neelasandra, Bangalore - 560047.

The under mentioned property will be sold by 'online e-Auction' through website **https://www.bankeauctionwizard.com** on **17.04.2021 between 11.30 AM to 12.30 PM** for recovery of an amount of **Rs.1,29,90,903/-(Rupees one crore twenty nine lakhs ninety thousand nine hundred and three only)** including costs and interest as on **24.02.2021** with future interest till realization The future interest is chargeable at the same rate till realization of debt as per Recovery Certificate in **O.A. No. 404/2016.**

AUCTION SCHEDULE

Date and Time of e-Auction	**17.04.2021 between 11.30 AM to 12.30 Noon**
Reserve Price	**For Item No.1: Rs.14,40,000/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Forty Thousand only)** **For Item No.2: Rs.13,08,000/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakhs Eight Thousand only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**For Item No. 1: Rs.1,44,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Forty Four Thousand Only)** **For Item No. 2: Rs.1,30,800/- (Rupees One Lakh Thirty Thousand Eight Hundred Only)**
Last Date and Time of e-Tender form & EMD submission	**15/04/2021 till 3.00 P.M**
Bid Increment	**Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousands only)**

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY

SCHEDULE 'A' (Composite Property)

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing New Sy. Nos. 81/4, 81/3, 82/9, 83/4, 82/7, 83/7, 82/8, 83/8, 82/3, 83/3, 82/6, 83/6 and 80/2 totally measuring 13 acres converted for Residential purpose by the Deputy Commissioner, Kolara District, Kolara vide order (1) No. ALN:SR.20/2010-11 dated 18.10.2010, (2) No. ALN:SR.459/2009-10 dated 27.04.2010, (3) No. ALN:SR.476A2009-10 dated 11.05.2010, (4) No. ALN:SR.457I2009-10 dated 27.04.2010, (5) No. ALN:SR.458/2009-10 dated 27.04.2010 (6) No. ALN:SR.389/2009-10 daled 20.02.2010, dated 20.02.2010, (7) No. ALN:SR.390/2009-10 dated 20.02.2010 and (8) No.ALN:SR.75/2011-12 dated 05/08/2011, all situated side by side at Harohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk and known as 'SRI MARUTHI NAGARA' and layout plan jointly approved and sanctioned by the Town Planning Authority, Malur vide Sanction Order No. 37/2010-11/509 dated 06.01.2011 and modified Sanction order No. 20/2010-11/434 dated 03.10.2011 jointly bounded on East by Remaining Portion of Land bearing Sy. No. 80, West by Road, North by Property in Sy. No. 82/2, 83/2, 81/1 and land of Alla Bakash and South by Land left for Road in Sy. No. 82/4 and 83/4 and Private Property.

SCHEDULE 'B'

ITEM No. 1: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing site No. 166, Abbenahalli Panchayath Katha No. 178/166, formed in converted Sy. Numbers detailed in Composite property above in the layout named as "SRI MARUTHI NAGARA' situated at Harohalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Malur Taluk, Karnataka Rural Development and Karnataka Government Panchayath Raj Department E-Katha No. 151900810301000365, Katha No. 178/166 measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 46.5 + 43.5/2 feet in all measuring 1800 Sq ft. and bounded on: East: Property bearing site no 165 in Sri Maruthi Nagara layout, West: 30 feet wide layout Road, North: Fencing compound of Sri Maruthi Nagara Layout and thereafter private property, South: Property bearing site no. 167 in Sri Maruthi Nagara layout.

ITEM No. 2: In Rangopanditha Agraharam Village of Hosur Taluk, Krishnagiri District within the registration district of Krishnagiri and Sub Registration District of Hosur and also within the Panchayath limits of Onnalavadi and union council of Hosur. Survey No 13 Dry measuring extent of 8.43 Hector, Assessment in Rs. 23.35 (or) in acre 20.82 full land and adjacent lands have been converted in to House sites in the name and style of "Gokul Nagar" which has been approved by the Hosur New Town Development Authority, as per approval No. L.P.DT.CP.No.239/92 in the said approval Layout, House Plot No E-575 and bounded on: East: 9.00 Mtr Layout common Road, West: Others Property, North: Road, South: Plot No E-574. Within these boundaries measuring East to West on the north side 13.5 mtr, on the south side 13.5mtr, North to South on the East side 9.00 mtr and on West side 9.00 mtr totally measuring 121.5 Sq. mtr. (or) 1307 Sq. Feet of vacant land.

For Terms and condition of sale visit website: **https://www.bankeauctionwizard.com of M/s.Antares Systems Ltd, Bangalore** or Further Details Contact : **Helpline No. 080-49352000, Mr. S. Manohar Mobile No. 9686196756, email-id: manohar.s@antaressystems.com / Ms. Mery Minoti Murmu, Manager, Canara Bank, Kaggadasapura Branch, Contact : 080-25349735, 9483528667.**

Given under my hand and seal on this 25th day of February, 2021.

DEEPA INDUVANI S
RECOVERY OFFICER-II, DRT-1, BANGALORE.

CLASSIFIEDS

PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **CHANDRAMMA K**. aged 36 years, W/o. Late **V. Loksunder,** residing at Kurudikere Village, Bidarakere Post, Bindiganavile Hobli, Nagamangala Taluk, Mandya District-571434, have changed my name to **N. CHANDRAKALA** vide affidavit dated 17-03-2021 sworn before Notary **H.S. Sakalesh Aradhya,** BENGALURU.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **FYAZ M.,** S/o. Mabu Sabu, aged about 36 years, residing at No. 8, Ground Floor, 1st Cross, 5th Main, Giddappa Block, Ganganagar Extension, R.T. Nagar, Bengaluru - 560 032, have changed my name from **FYAZ M.** to **NARTHAN** and I have convert my religion from **Muslim** to **Hindu** religion before Arya Samaj, Swamy Shraddhananda Bhavan, Vishveshwarapura, Bengaluru. Vide affidavit dated 16.3.2021 sworn before **XXIV Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bangalore.**

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **K.SUHASINI,** Spouse of No. 15318604M HAV Tandyala Chinna Rao, residing at Killam (Vill) Makivalash (Post) Narasanna Peta (MD) Srikakulam (Dist) Andhra Pradesh (State) PIN:532421, have changed my name from **K.SUHASINI** to **TANDYALA SUHASINI** and DOB from **05/04/1987** to **05/08/1987** vide affidavit dated 17/03/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **G. JASWANTRAJ,** S/o Ghisulal Porwal, R/o #61, Rama Iyengar Road, V.V. Puram, Bengaluru-560004, have changed my name to **JASWANTH RAJ PORWAL,** vide affidavit dated 18-03-2021, sworn before Notary L. **GOPALAKRISHNA,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Mrs.Bhoomika K, W/o. Mr. Chandan NS, aged 24 years, R/at No. 12, 1st Main, 3rd Cross, Nagarbhavi Village, Bangalore-560 072 I have changed my son's name from **RUSHYANTH VISHNU.C** to **THANVIK GOWDA**. Vide affidavit dated 18/03/2021, Sworn before Advocate Notary H.R.Karunakara, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Gowri.R, D/o. Raju R, Aged about 46 years, R/at No 22, 1st Cross, Garvebhavipalya, Bandepalya, Hosur Main Road, Bangalore 560068. I have changed my name from **GOWRI.R** to **PUTTAMMA.R**. Vide affidavit dated 23/02/2021, Sworn before the 24th Addl.Chief Metropolitan Magistrate at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Smt. Shashikala. M, W/o. late Ranganatha R, aged about 35 years, R/at No.6, 2nd Cross, kalyana Nagar, T.Dasarahalli, Bangalore North, Bangalore 560057. I have changed my name from **Smt. Shashikala.M** to **Smt.Gowramma.B**. Vide affidavit dated 01/03/2021, Sworn before the 24th Addl.Chief Metropolitan Magistrate at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, Badarawada Radhika @ Dattada Radhika, W/o. D. Varma Badarawada, aged about 34 years, R/at 401, Block A, Saranya Sarovar, Vinayaka Nagar, Hagadur Main Road, Whitefield, Bangalore-560 066, have changed my name to **RADHIKA BADARAWADA** vide affidavit dated 17-03-2021 sworn before notary, C. Muniswamy, Bangalore.

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LOST

I, **ROOPA N.** D/o NARAYANA SWAMY M., 524/11, 2nd Main, British Biological Road, Arekere, Bangalore-560076. Hereby declare that I have lost my
1) SSLC Marks Card bearing ID No. 20100814733 of Carmel Convent High School, Bengaluru.
2) 2nd PUC Marks Card bearing I.D. No. 233447 of Krupanidhi P.U. College, Bengaluru.
3) B.Sc. (Ag. MaCo) OGPA and Convocation Certificate bearing I.D. No. MLB2032 of University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru.
4) M.Sc. (Agri) OGPA bearing ID No. PALB6156 of University of Agricultural Sciences, Bengaluru.
If anyone finds please contact below mentioned Mobile Number.

FINDERS PLEASE CONTACT: 8095017144

LOSS OF DOCUMENTS

It is notified for the information that my Original/Duplicate Qualifying Examination Certificate of Main/Compartment, Secondary, Senior Secondary Examination of Year **2018** and Roll No.**4055014** issued by CBSE has been actually lost/destroyed/mutilated. Name of the candidate: **SANGEETHA.M**. Full Address: **D/o B.MANGILALA, KAGGALIPURA VILLAGE, NEAR KPTCL OFFICE, KANAKAPURA MAIN ROAD, BANGALORE-560082**. Tel. No. **9448908578**

ANNOUNCEMENT

I, SUSHMITHA W/o. Sunilkumara N.M. & D/o. Manjunath R/o. #102, The Orchard Apartment, HMT 2nd Stage, Jalahalli Village, Bangalore- 560013 Declare that my Father's correct name is **MANJUNATH** but in my some documents his name mentioned as **MANJUNATHA** and also declared that both names **MANJUNATH** and **MANJUNATHA** one and the same person and both the names refer to my Father Itself. vide affidavit dated: 20.02.2021 sworn before notary Ambika S. Bangalore-54.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, ATHEEQ AHMED, S/o. Rafeeq Ahmed, resident of No.26/47, 2nd Floor, B Block, Near Auto Stand, Subhash Nagar, Bengaluru - 560068, Karnataka, India, shall hence forth be known as **ATHEEQ AHMED P R,** vide Affidavit dated 17-03-2021, before notary Harisha G, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MANOJ KUMAR, Resident of SMQ No. 59/5, Akash Vihar Camp, Marathahalli, Bangalore. Have changed my son's name from DEEPANSU to DEEPANSHU NIRBAN vide affidavit dated 17.03.2021 before Notary L Gopalakrishna at city Civil Court, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SUNITA HOTA,** Spouse of SURAJ KUMAR HOTA, Residing at Village/PO-Anlabereni, PS-Tumusinga, Dist-Dhenkanal, Odisha, Pin-759026, have changed my name from **SUNITA HOTA** to **SUNITA SATAPATHY,** vide affidavit dated: 17-03-2021, before Notary Peruvazhuthi, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) KANTHILAL SEETHAL KUMAR, residing at No. 4/5, 1st Floor, Jineshwar Apartments, Nehru Nagar, Bengaluru-560020, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) SHEETHAL KUMAR** vide affidavit dated 06/03/2021 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MANOJ KUMAR, Resident of SMQ No. 59/5, Akash Vihar Camp, Marathahalli, Bangalore. Have changed my son's name from DEEPAK KUMAR to DEEPAK NIRBAN vide affidavit dated 17.03.2021 before Notary L Gopalakrishna at city Civil Court, Bangalore

AFFIDAVIT

I, **Mr. ABHISHEK KUMAR NR (ABHISHEK KUMAR NALLENDRAN RAMESH),** S/o P. Nallendran Ramesh, Aged about 22 years, Presently Residing at No.B-402, Sumo Sonnet Apartment, Kudlu Main Road, AECS Layout, Bangalore-560 068. Hereby declare that, **"ABHISHEK KUMAR NALLENDRAN RAMESH"** and **"ABHISHEK KUMAR NR"** both the names are one and the same and refers to me only, Vide affidavit dated 17.03.2021 sworn before Advocate and Notary L. Veena, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) MANISHA CHAWLA, residing at No. 11, 2nd Floor, 18th Cross, Lalji Nagar, Lakkasandra, Bengaluru -560030, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) PIA VISHAL AHUJA** vide affidavit dated 06/03/2021 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **SANJAY RAO,** S/o Srinivasa Vithal, aged about 55 years, R/a Flat No. 108-b, Pallavi Terrace, Opp. Yediyur Lake, Jayanagar 6th Block, Banashakari II Stage, Bangalore-560070, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SANJAY KUMAR** to **SANJAY RAO,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SANJAY RAO** only, vide affidavit dated 16-03-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K.C. CHOWDE GOWDA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

By virtue of an affidavit **I, Preeti Nanda Mund, D/o- Kusha Prasad Mund,** Tulsinagar, PO/PS- Bolangir, 767001, Odisha. have changed my name from **Preeti Nanda Kaushal** to **Preeti Nanda Mund** for all purposes. vide affidavit Dated 15 March 2021 Sworn before Notary Sarat Kumar Meher

CHANGE OF NAME

I, (OLD NAME) NISHARAJ JAIN, residing at No. 4/5, 1st Floor, Jineshwar Apartments, Nehru Nagar, Bengaluru-560020, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) NISHA SHEETHAL JAIN** vide affidavit dated 06/03/2021 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **YESHODA, YESHODHA, YASHODA,** W/o Charan .C, R/o #129, Nehrupuram, Seppings Road, Bengaluru-560001, have changed my name to **YASHODA CHARAN,** vide affidavit dated 18-03-2021, sworn before Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MANOJ KUMAR, Resident of SMQ No. 59/5, Akash Vihar Camp, Marathahalli, Bangalore. Have changed my son's name from DEEPAK KUMAR to DEEPAK NIRBAN vide affidavit dated 17.03.2021 before Notary L Gopalakrishna at city Civil Court, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **JAFFAR SHARIFF** S/o Abdul Rasheed, aged 51 years, presently R/at No.481, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, 5th Cross, Sultanpalya Main Road, R T Nagar, Bangalore 32, have changed my name from **JAFFER SHAREEF** to **"JAFFAR SHARIFF"** vide affidavit dated 15.03.2021 sworn before Notary **S. I. Balaguru,** at Bengaluru.

ANNOUNCEMENT

I, RENITHA LAILO DSOUZA, W/o. Manohar Gorden Dsouza, Residing at 5-169, Dsouza Compound, Near Padua High School, Nanthoor, Mangalore, Dakshina Kannada, Bijai Karnataka - 575004, State that I am also called as **RENITHA L COELHO,** both names **RENITHA LAILO DSOUZA** and **RENITHA L COELHO** belongs to one and the same person that is myself, For Future I would like to retain my name as **RENITHA LAILO DSOUZA** Vide Affidavit Dated 17.03.2021 Sworn Before Notary M. Rajendra, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **FATHIMA BI,** D/o Late Nagaraj, R/o No. 146, Champakadama Layout, Jigni Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bannerghatta Anekal, Bangalore-560083 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KEERTHI** to **FATHIMA BI,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **FATHIMA BI** only, vide affidavit dated 15-03-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **MEER HASSAN** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ARYAN SRINIVAS**, S/o Srinivas, aged about 36 years, R/at #54, Ground Floor, 8th Cross, 8th Main, Railway Layout, Jnanabharati Layout, Bangalore-560056, have changed my name from **GOVINDARAJU .S** to **ARYAN SRINIVAS,** vide affidavit dated 15.03.2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary H.G. Venkataramu, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SERVICE NO. 15323422H HAV K.Hemadri, Unit: KHA Coy, TRG BN-I, MEG & Centre, Bangalore -560042, have changed my Son name from **K.HEMAKESH CHOUDARY** to **K.HIMAKESH CHOWDARY,** vide affidavit dated 17/03/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **CHIRAG .N PORWAL,** S/o B. Nikesh Porwal, R/o #61, Rama Iyengar Road, V.V. Puram, Bengaluru-560004, have changed my name to **CHIRAAG NIKESH PORWAL**, vide affidavit dated 17-03-2021, sworn before Notary **D. GUNASHEKAR,** Bengaluru.

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Office of the Director
Directorate of Scheduled Tribes Welfare
No. 34, Lotus Tower, Race Course Road, Bangalore -01

No. : DSTW/ED-2/CR-45/46/2020-2 1 Date: 17.03.2021

TENDER NOTICE

(Through e-procurement portal only)

Tenders are invited from the interested bidders through e-procurement portal website : **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** for the Supply of Two Tier Cots and Dining Tables for Govt. Students Hostels and Ashram Schools coming under the Jurisdiction of Directorate of Scheduled Tribes Welfare on 17.03.2021.

Sl. No.	Description	Approx. Amount put to tender (Rs. in Lakhs)
1.	Two Tier Cot with Locker	310.93
2.	Dining Table with Folding Stools	381.38

Last date for submission of tenders : **15.05.2021.** Further details can be obtained from office of the undersigned during office hours.

Sd/- Director,
Directorate of Scheduled Tribes Welfare

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GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
Public Works of Department
Office of the Executive Engineer,
Davangere Division, Davanagere

Notification No. IFT-30/AE-1/2020-21/3314 Date: 15-03-2021

E-Procurement Tender Notification

Ref: Office Tender Notification No. O/o EE/DDD/I.F.T.-30/AE-/1/2020-21 Date: 15-03-2021.

Undersigned, On behalf of Governor of Karnataka tenders are invited in Two Cover system for Honnalli Taluk of Davangere Division from eligible contractors registered in Public Works Department through E-procurement portal under Standard Document Rules, 8443- Account Head under Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement KTTP-2000.

Total No. Work: 1, Approximate Tender Amount: Rs.100.00Lakhs, Details of the work can be obtained at the office address during office hours. The following dates are set for the tender process. The amount of the EMD and the tender processing fee are mentioned on the e-portal.

(1) Last Date for Tender Submission: **23-03-2021 @ 4PM**

(2) Tender Opening Date: **24-03-2021 @ 4.30PM**

For More details contact **(Phone no: 08192-234951, 231530)** at Office working hours or visit website **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/-
Executive Engineer,
PWD Division, Davangere

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VISVESVARAYA JALA NIGAMA LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka Enterprise)
Office of the Executive Engineer VJNL, Yettinahole Project Division, No.1 Sakaleshpur -573134

NO: EE/VJNL/YPDNo. 1/ SCP-TSP/TNR-12/2020-21/1832 Dated:18-03-2021

SHORT TERM TENDER NOTIFICATION

Percentage rate tenders under Yettinahole Project are invited for SCP-TSP Road work from the eligible VJNL enrolled Category-III / KPWD Class -1 contractors. The bid shall be submitted in Two Cover Systems containing the technical bid and financial bid. The amount put to tender of the Package work, indent No. and blank tender documents can be obtained and submitted through website https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Contractors can access the bid documents for above works from 22-03-2021 to 30-03-2021 upto 17:30 Hrs. and the Last Date & Time for Tender Querries / Clarification on 29.03.2021 up to 17.30. The pre bid meeting will be held on 26-03-2021 at 16.00 hrs at zonal office Tumakur. Technical Bids will be opened in the Office of the Executive Engineer, VJNL, Yettinahole project Division No.1, Sakleshpur on 01-04-2021, 11: 30 Hrs onwards. Financial bid of the qualified bidder will be opened after obtaining approval to technical bid from the competent authority. The officer competent to accept the tender shall have the right to reject any or all the tenders without assigning any reason whatsoever.

Sd/-Executive Engineer,
VJNL, YP Division, No.1, Sakaleshpura

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BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE

Office of The Executive Engineer (Ele),
South Zone, Jayanagar 2nd Block, Bengaluru

No.: BBMP/EE/ELE/S/TEND/17/2020-21 Date : 16-03-2021

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT)

(Through GoK e-Procurement Portal only)

The Executive Engineer (Ele), South Zone, BBMP, Bengaluru invites tenders in accordance with KTPP rules 2000 from eligible contractors for the below mentioned works.

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Approximate Value of work (Rs. in lakh)
1	Annual Maintenance of all telephones, Broad Band systems and other peripherals in Jayanagara 2nd Block BBMP Complex in Ward No.153 for a period of One Year **(2nd Call) Category: SC**	1.00
2	Annual Electrical Maintenance of Deer Park Hanumanth Nagara in Ward No.155 for a period of One Year **Category: Others**	5.00
3	Annual Maintenance of Air Conditioners at BBMP building and shopping complex in 3rd and 4th block Jayanagara in Ward No.169 for a period of One Year **Category: Others**	1.00

Tenders must be accompanied by Earnest Money Deposit in the form of Declaration as specified in the Tender Document as per G.O. No.: FD 675 Expenditure-12/2020 Dated: 22.12.2020.

Calendar of Events : (1) Tender documents may be downloaded from the GoK e-Procurement portal **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** from **22-03-2021. (2)** Tenders must be submitted online through e-procurement portal on or before **05-04-2021, 4.00 PM. (3)** Date of Opening of Financial Bid : **07-04-2021 at 4.00 PM.** Further details may be obtained from the above office during office hours on working days or from website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sd/- Executive Engineer (Ele), South Zone

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Zareen stuns world champion Ekaterina

India's Nikhat Zareen stunned reigning world champion Paltceva Ekaterina to breeze into the women's 51kg quarterfinals at the Bosphorus Boxing Tournament in Istanbul. She out-punched the Russian 5-0. Shiva Thapa, Sonia Lather and Parveen also advanced to the quarterfinals.

Sathiyan, Sharath secure Olympic berths

AYANTAN CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

BOTH A Sharath Kamal and G Sathiyan booked their tickets for the Tokyo Olympics at the Asian Olympic qualifiers in Doha on Thursday. Among women, Sutirtha Mukherjee caused quite a stir as she got the better of her compatriot and Commonwealth Games gold medallist Manika Batra to seal her Olympics spot. Despite the loss, Manika's participation should also be assured due to her high rankings.

The South Asian section saw Sathiyan defeat Sharath in a seven-game thriller (11-9, 15-13, 5-11, 7-11, 10-12, 11-9, 11-8) on Thursday morning. Despite leading on two occasions, Sharath could not press home his advantage as he succumbed to Sathiyan in a repeat of the senior nationals final. In a late night encounter, Sathiyan then breezed past Pakistan's Muhammad Rameez 11-5, 11-8, 11-9, 11-2 to confirm his ticket for Tokyo. The Pakistani player ranked 690 in the world stood no chance against Indian paddlers. This will be the 28-year-old's maiden Olympics.

Sharath made it to his fourth Olympics due to his high rank, which will be confirmed once the rankings list is announced in April. He has played in the 2004, 2008 and 2016 Games.

"The feeling of qualifying for the Olympics is unparalleled, I have done it in the past but each time it feels as special as before. Making it through the rankings also feels great because it seems like the effort I have put in over the years has paid dividends. Especially after the year we had, I can finally be calm now that I have sealed my spot. Only thing you hear people discuss in an Olympic year is making the cut and the pressure can get to you. I'm just glad that now I can focus on my preparations for Tokyo," a jubilant Sharath said. He also has a chance in the mixed doubles along with Manika but they will need to win their remaining two ties. doubles.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Vijender Singh will take on Russia's Artysh Lopsan in Goa on Friday

Vijender set to cruise in Goa return

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

'ALL hands on the deck' — yes, that's the call Vijender Singh is getting used to. He loves to experiment, improvise and embrace change. Vijender has the propensity to try new things and this time it has landed him on a cruise off the coast of Goa. He will face a 26-year-old Russian for a piece of bragging right and in his bid to earn the sobriquet of the undefeated Singh.

Vijender still remembers his last fight in Goa. "It was in 2003, 18 years ago," he said over the phone. Yes, it was way back in 2003 when he used to fight in 64kg. "It was totally different," he said. "And this time on a cruise."

The 35-year-old professional boxer is ready for a lesser-known Russian Artysh Lopsan who is nine years younger than him on Friday. Not much is known about the boxer except what *boxrec.com* is saying. He has six bouts under his belt, according to the website. More than the opponent, it's the cruise, the casino, the glitz and the glamour surrounding the event that's creating more buzz. However, for Vijender if it's a business it needs to be dealt with professionally. "I am ready," he said. "His height and reach will be tricky but I will be able to counter it."

"Yes I love boxing a lot and would love to keep boxing all my life but I love politics too," he said. "If there is anything wrong happening in the country I will speak against it. I cannot keep quiet."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

SURYA NAMASKAR

The newcomer's fifty and Iyer's cameo help the hosts beat England

VENKATA KRISHNA B @ Chennai

ISHAN Kishan the other night, and Suryakumar Yadav on Thursday. India's T20 specialists don't waste any time to find their feet in international cricket and keep sending reminders why they should be playing more regularly. Dropped for the third T20I without getting to face a ball in his debut game, Suryakumar's top-scored with 57 in his maiden outing with the bat, an innings that showed what he could offer to the side. His knock was one of the highlights in India's win over England in the fourth T20I at the Narendra Modi Stadium, which ensured an exciting finish in the fifth and final match on Saturday with the series locked 2-2.

Suryakumar Yadav smashed his maiden fifty during the fourth T20I against England in Ahmedabad on Thursday | AP

After being omitted for the third match, Suryakumar got the opportunity on Thursday only because Ishan had a groin injury. Taking his spot at No 3, the 30-year-old pulled the first ball he faced off Jofra Archer for six over fine-leg. It wasn't an instinctive shot. Having experienced such countless situations in the IPL, Suryakumar fully expected the length that Archer would deliver. And as the pacer obliged, the Mumbaikar merely responded.

A batsman who should have broken into the side at least a year ago, Suryakumar is at the peak of his prowess in a format, in which he has been so dominant. Unlike the rest of the options India have to fill in the middle-order slot, Surykumar's range of shots are unparalleled. For a batsman, who has mostly batted at No 4 and 5 during the middle overs, he has an IPL strike-rate of 134.57. It is his ability to manufacture boundary balls in the middle-overs while maintaining the momentum given by the openers and lay a foundation for the finishers that make him a precious talent in T20s. His other prized asset is his ability to steady the ship when the team struggles without affecting scoring rate.

With just six months to go for the T20 World Cup, India have finally given him an opportunity to claim a spot. In a team where competition is tough, there is little space for Suryakumar to take time to find his feet. Sanju Samson, who was unable to make most of the opportunities he got in Australia, finds himself discarded for this series. And may be all those times he spent waiting for the call has only made Suryakumar hungrier than ever. He looked unstoppable until a debatable umpiring decision sent him back. Shreyas Iyer and Rishabh Pant took India to 185-8. And defending the total, England came hard at India. Jason Roy, Ben Stokes and Jonny Bairstow got starts and looked threatening, but somehow the hosts attack found ways to get wickets when they needed the most as England wilted under pressure to keep series alive.

Brief scores: India 185/8 in 20 ovs (Suryakumar 57, Iyer 37; Archer 4/33) bt England 177/8 in 20 ovs (Stokes 46)

Mixed day for shuttlers

ENS @ Chennai

THE young Indian shuttler Lakshya Sen progressed to the quarterfinals of the All England Championships in his maiden venture on Thursday. However, in other men's singles matches, HS Prannoy and B Sai Praneeth were knocked out of the competition. Among women, Saina Nehwal was forced to bow out of the Super 1000 tournament due to an injury.

The 19-year-old Sen faces World No 36 Mark Cljouw of Netherland for a place in the semifinal after he beat Thomas Rouxel 21-18, 21-16 in the last eight match. Prannoy was outmatched by Kento Momota, the Japanese playing in his first event since his accident last year. He lost 15-21, 14-21. Praneeth was knocked out of the tournament by World No 2 Viktor Axelsen. In another match, Sameer Verma outclassed Brazilian Ygor Coelho 21-11, 21-19 in the first round. Saina decided to retire owing to injury.

Didn't start because of niggle, says Anas

MARTIN JOSEPH @ Kochi

WHILE the likes of M Sreeshankar and Neeraj Chopra have come out all guns blazing in the ongoing Federation Cup, elite sprinter Muhammed Anas Yahiya wants to take a cautious approach.

The 26-year-old was a notable absentee in the 400m run and the national record holder suggested that he didn't want to take any risks at the moment. "I was feeling a slight pain in my glutes and so I did not want to take any risks at the moment. I wasn't feeling fully confident in terms of doing the run and so I decided not to run. An injury right now would be very risky and the most important thing is to stay fit and work up the fitness as we are just early into the season," Anas told this daily.

The Indian Grand Prix last month was the first time most elite athletes got back to action in over a year and Anas's duel with Arokia Rajiv was a fascinating contest in the 200m sprint. The national record holder was pipped to gold by Arokia by 0.20 seconds. Anas finished second and he feels that he is working up the fitness with each competition.

Muhammed Anas Yahiya

Dhana betters Usha record

S Dhanalakshmi of Tamil Nadu beat Hima Das in the 200m semifinal heats by running a meet record time of 23.26 seconds. She bettered PT Usha's meet record of 22.80 seconds set in Chennai, 1998.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Day 4 winners: Women: Hammer throw: Sarita R Singh (UP) 56.62m. **Hep long jump:** Mareena George (Ker) 5.97m **High jump:** Gracena G Merly (TN) 1.84m. **Triple jump:** Renu (Har) 13.39m. **Men: 200m:** Akshay Nain (Del) 0:21.23.

EXPRESS READ

Team India qualify for ITPF World Cup

GREATER NOIDA: The Indian tent pegging team has secured a place in International Tent Pegging Federation (ITPF) World Cup. Out of seven competitions held at qualifiers, India claimed six gold medals and one bronze.

Three men's T20 WC qualifiers postponed

DUBAI: Three men's T20 World Cup Qualifiers in Africa and Asia have been postponed due to pandemic. The Asia A Qualifier, which was due to be hosted between April 3 and 9, will now be played in Kuwait between October 23 to 29.

Bayern Munich, Chelsea enter quarters

MUNICH: HOLDERS Bayern Munich cruised into the Champions League quarterfinals as a 2-1 win over Lazio in Wednesday's last-16 second leg sealed a 6-2 aggregate victory. Chelsea reached the last eight as Hakim Ziyech inspired team to a 2-0 win against Atletico Madrid.

LOCAL EXPRESS

Kickstart clinch Women's League

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

Kickstart FC clinched the Karnataka Women's League with 23 points on the table after their 1-0 win over BUFC on Thursday. Kavya's lone goal proved to be enough for Kickstart as they ended their season unbeaten. Maatru Pratishtana finished second with 20 points. They beat Misaka United 1-0 with Jyoti scoring.

Individual awards: Best goalkeeper: Jyoti Tamang (Misaka United). Best **defender:** Komal Kumari (BUFC). Best **midfielder:** Jyothi (Maatru Pratishtana). Best **forward:** Kavya P (Kickstart FC).

Vaibhav to face Suchir in tennis final

Vaibhav Sriram defeated Jason Michael David 6-1, 7-5 to reach the boys final in the AITA Talent Series U-16 here. In the title-decider, he will face Suchir Sheshadri, who beat Anoop Keshavamurthy 7-5, 6-1 in the other semifinal.

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Senior Assistant Director, Education, Head Office, BBMP, N. R. Square, Bangalore - 560 002.
No.: BBMP/2020-21/IND679 Date: 18.03.2021
TENDER NOTIFICATION
(Through GOK e-Procurement Portal only)
The Senior Assistant Director, Education, BBMP, invites tenders from eligible bidders for the **Supply of Bags** from eligible bidders. **1)** Tender documents may be downloaded from e-procurement portal from **: 18.03.2021 onwards. 2)** Last date and time for uploading online queries in e-procurement portal : **20.03.2021 upto 5.00 p.m. 3)** Pre bid meeting : **20.03.2021 at 11.00 a.m. 4)** Last date and time for submission of tenders: **25.03.2021 upto 5.00 p.m. 5)** Date of opening of Technical Bids : **26.03.2021 at 5.30 p.m.** Further details can be accessed from GoK e-procurement website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** or contact the office of the undersigned.
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No.	Tender ID	Items
1.	2021_KMML_420439_1	Annual Maintenance Contract for Electric and Mechanical Hoist for the period 2021-22

Chavara 19/03/2021
sd/- HOU(T)
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SHORT TENDER NOTICE
Competitive tenders are invited for the supply of VCB Panel as per the specifications and Drawings in the tender documents for MINERAL SEPARATION UNIT, KOVILTHOTTAM, CHAVARA, KOLLAM, KERALA. You may visit the E-tendering portal, https://etenders.kerala.gov.in, of the Govt. of Kerala for further details
Any corrigendums in the future will be notified only in the KMML web site and Kerala Govt e-tender portal
Tender Reference No: MS/CD1/VCB PANEL/02/2020-2021 Dtd 17.03.2021

Tender ID	Items
2021_KMML_420502_1	For the supply of VCB Panel

Chavara 19/03/2021
sd/-
Asst. General Manager & HOD (MS)
For The Kerala Minerals And Metals Ltd.

BRUHAT BENGALURU MAHANAGARA PALIKE
Office of the Executive Engineer, Chamarajpet Division, 2nd Main Road, Nanjamba Agrahara, T.R.Road, Bangalore-18
No: EE(CMP)TEND/E-Proc/22/2020-21 Date : 17.03.2021
CORRIGENDUM
Ref: 1. Tender Notification No. **EE/CMP/TEND/E-Proc/22/2020-21 dated: 02.03.2021.**
With reference to the above Tender Notification **EE/CMP/TEND/E-Proc/22/20-21, Dated:02.03.2021** due to technical reason calendar of events has been revised as mention below. **(1)** Last Date and Time for receipt of Tenders: **29.03.2021 up to 4.00PM (2)** Pre bid meeting document: **26.03.2021 @ 4.00 PM (3)** Opening of Technical bid Document : **31.03.2021 @ 4.30 PM (4)** Opening of Financial bid Document:**03.04.2021 @ 4.30 PM (if possible)** All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.
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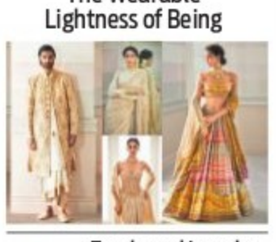
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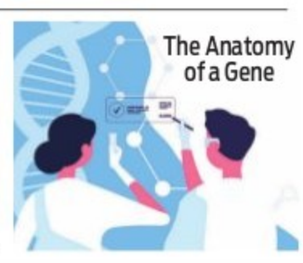
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- जीरो टॉलरेंस नीति से अपराधों में रिकॉर्ड गिरावट
- माफिया एवं अपराधियों द्वारा अवैध रूप से अर्जित 1000 करोड़ रु. से अधिक की संपत्तियां जब्त/ध्वस्त
- उत्तर प्रदेश विधि विरुद्ध धर्म संपरिवर्तन प्रतिषेध विधेयक को मंजूरी
- सी.ए.ए. के विरोध-प्रदर्शन के दौरान सरकारी सम्पत्तियों को क्षति पहुंचाने वाले व्यक्तियों से क्षतिपूर्ति वसूली
- एण्टी रोमियो स्क्वॉयड का गठन
- सभी 1535 थानों पर महिला हेल्प डेस्क की स्थापना
- महिला एवं बाल सुरक्षा संगठन (WCSO) का गठन
- 218 नये फास्ट ट्रैक कोर्ट गठित
- उत्तर प्रदेश स्पेशल सिक्योरिटी फोर्स (UPSSF) का गठन
- पुलिस अधीक्षक कार्यालयों में भी एफ.आई.आर. काउन्टर
- 213 नये थानों एवं 16 परिक्षेत्रीय मुख्यालयों पर साइबर क्राइम पुलिस थानों की स्थापना
- 1 लाख 37 हजार पुलिसकर्मियों की भर्ती

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- मंडी शुल्क में 1% की कमी
- 45 कृषि उत्पाद मण्डी शुल्क से मुक्त
- प्रधानमंत्री फसल बीमा योजना में रु. 1910 करोड़ की क्षतिपूर्ति
- कृषि निवेशों पर देय रु. 1803 करोड़ की अनुदान राशि किसानों के खाते में हस्तांतरित
- रु. 3 लाख 58 हजार करोड़ का फसल ऋण वितरित
- रु. 36 हजार करोड़ से 86 लाख किसानों का ऋण माफ
- 20 चीनी मिलों का आधुनिकीकरण एवं विस्तारीकरण
- बाण सागर परियोजना सहित 11 सिंचाई परियोजनाएं पूर्ण कर एवं अन्य सिंचाई स्रोतों से 3.77 लाख हेक्टेयर अतिरिक्त सिंचाई क्षमता में वृद्धि
- वरासत अभियान के अंतर्गत 8,87,617 प्रकरण निस्तारित
- स्वामित्व योजना के अंतर्गत 2,09,016 घरौनी वितरित
- 5 लाख 66 हजार से अधिक गोवंश संरक्षित, गोवंश रखने पर प्रति गोवंश प्रतिमाह रु. 900 की सहायता

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- पूर्वांचल एक्सप्रेस-वे, बुंदेलखण्ड एक्सप्रेस-वे, गंगा एक्सप्रेस-वे व गोरखपुर लिंक एक्सप्रेस-वे का तेजी से निर्माण, बलिया लिंक एक्सप्रेस-वे को मंजूरी
- ग्रेटर नोएडा में इंटरनेशनल ग्रीनफील्ड एयरपोर्ट, अयोध्या एवं कुशीनगर में अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय एयरपोर्ट
- 8 एयरपोर्ट संचालित, 13 अन्य एयरपोर्ट एवं 7 हवाईपट्टी का विकास
- प्रदेश के 10 नगरों का भारत सरकार तथा 7 नगरों का राज्य सरकार के वित्त पोषण से स्मार्ट सिटी के रूप में विकास
- प्रधानमंत्री ग्राम सड़क योजना में 56,862 किमी. सड़कों का निर्माण
- 3,32,804 किमी. सड़कों का गड्ढामुक्तिकरण
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- 428 छोटे-बड़े पुलों का निर्माण
- 1.21 लाख गांवों तक निर्बाध बिजली आपूर्ति
- जिला मुख्यालयों को 24 घंटे, तहसील मुख्यालयों को 22 घंटे तथा ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों में 18-20 घंटे बिजली की आपूर्ति
- हर घर नल योजना में 30 हजार ग्राम पंचायतों को शुद्ध पेयजल

शिक्षा से खुले प्रगति के द्वार

- मुख्यमंत्री अभ्युदय योजना में प्रतियोगी परीक्षाओं के लिए निःशुल्क कोचिंग
- बालिकाओं के लिए स्नातक स्तर तक निःशुल्क शिक्षा
- 3 नए राज्य विश्वविद्यालय, 51 राजकीय महाविद्यालय, 194 राजकीय माध्यमिक विद्यालय, 28 इंजीनियरिंग कॉलेज, 26 पॉलीटेक्निक, 79 आईटीआई, 248 इंटर कॉलेज और 771 कस्तूरबा विद्यालयों की स्थापना
- कक्षा-1 से कक्षा-8 तक के सभी बच्चों को निःशुल्क ड्रेस, जूते-मोजे, स्कूल बैग एवं पाठ्य-पुस्तकों का वितरण
- श्रमिकों के बच्चों की निःशुल्क शिक्षा के लिए 18 मंडलों में अटल आवासीय विद्यालयों की स्थापना
- कोरोना कालखण्ड में विद्यार्थियों के लिए वर्चुअल क्लास की व्यवस्था

स्वास्थ्य सेवाएं हुईं सुलभ

- 3 करोड़ से अधिक कोविड जांच व प्रतिदिन 1.75 लाख कोरोना जांच करने वाला देश का पहला राज्य
- 16 करोड़ लोगों की कॉन्टेक्ट ट्रेसिंग, अब तक 35 लाख से अधिक लोगों का वैक्सीनेशन
- हर रविवार सभी स्वास्थ्य केन्द्रों पर मुख्यमंत्री जन आरोग्य मेलों का आयोजन, अब तक 60 लाख से अधिक लोगों का स्वास्थ्य परीक्षण एवं इलाज
- पूर्वांचल में दिमागी बुखार पर नियंत्रण, मृत्यु दर में 95% तक की कमी
- 6920 एम्बुलेंस संचालित
- 47 जनपदों में निःशुल्क डायलिसिस सेवाएं एवं 56 जनपद चिकित्सालयों में सी.टी. स्कैन की सुविधा।
- प्रत्येक जनपद में वेंटिलेटर एवं टूनेट मशीनें उपलब्ध

निवेशकों की पहली पसंद

- निवेश फ्रेण्डली 21 नीतियां लागू
- इंवेस्टर्स समिट में रु. 4.68 लाख करोड़ निवेश के एम.ओ.यू. हस्ताक्षरित
- सिंगल विंडो पोर्टल 'निवेश मित्र' के माध्यम से 96% निवेश प्रस्तावों का निस्तारण
- रु. 3 लाख करोड़ के निवेश से परियोजनाएं शुरू
- डिफेन्स इण्डस्ट्रियल मैन्युफैक्चरिंग कॉरिडोर का निर्माण, रु. 50 हजार करोड़ का निवेश
- फिल्म सिटी से निवेश और रोजगार के बढ़ेंगे अवसर
- ओडीओपी योजनान्तर्गत 25 लाख से अधिक लोगों को रोजगार, निर्यात में 38% की वृद्धि
- स्वरोजगार हेतु उद्यम सारथी एप संचालित

महिला सम्मान एवं सशक्तिकरण को प्राथमिकता

- 1 लाख से अधिक महिलाओं को सरकारी नौकरी
- 58,758 महिलाओं की बैंकिंग कॉरेस्पॉन्डेंट सखी के रूप में नियुक्ति
- मिशन शक्ति अभियान में 7.30 करोड़ लोगों को जागरूक किया गया
- प्रधानमंत्री मातृ वंदना योजना से 36.16 लाख महिलाएं लाभान्वित
- 6.94 लाख बेटियों को मुख्यमंत्री कन्या सुमंगला योजना का लाभ
- 'बेटी बचाओ-बेटी पढ़ाओ' योजना में 1 करोड़ 80 लाख बेटियां लाभान्वित
- ग्रामीण आवासीय अभिलेख (घरौनी) परिवार की महिला सदस्य के नाम होगा
- पौत्री (पुत्र की पुत्री), भतीजी (सगे भाई की पुत्री) और भांजियों (सगी बहन की पुत्री) को भी राजस्व संहिता में भौमिक अधिकार
- महिलाओं एवं बालिकाओं की सुरक्षा हेतु सेफ सिटी परियोजना

जरूरतमंदों को मिला सरकार का साथ

- मुख्यमंत्री सामूहिक विवाह योजना में 1.52 लाख निर्धन कन्याओं का विवाह
- निर्माण श्रमिकों की पुत्रियों के लिए संचालित कन्या विवाह सहायता योजना के अन्तर्गत 11,581 कन्याओं का विवाह
- 51 लाख से अधिक वृद्धजन, 28 लाख निराश्रित महिलाओं व 22 लाख विधवा महिलाओं को रु. 500 प्रतिमाह की पेंशन
- मुख्यमंत्री आवास योजना (ग्रामीण) में 72 हजार 302 आवासों का निर्माण/स्वीकृति
- वनटांगिया/मुसहर/कोल एवं थारु समूह के 38 गांवों को राजस्व गांवों का दर्जा एवं बुनियादी सुविधाएं
- अल्पसंख्यक वर्ग, अनुसूचित जाति/जनजाति, पिछड़ी जाति व सामान्य वर्ग के कुल 1 करोड़ 78 लाख से अधिक छात्र-छात्राओं को कुल रु. 13,690 करोड़ से अधिक की पूर्वदशम एवं दशमोत्तर छात्रवृत्ति वितरित
- 40 लाख कामगारों की स्किल मैपिंग कर रोजगार उपलब्ध कराया गया
- 101 करोड़ से अधिक मानव दिवस सृजित कर 1.50 करोड़ श्रमिकों को रोजगार
- पी.एम. स्वनिधि योजना में 8 लाख 32 हजार स्ट्रीट वेण्डर्स आच्छादित

आस्था का सम्मान पर्यावरण के लिए अभियान

- प्रयागराज कुम्भ में 24 करोड़ से अधिक श्रद्धालुओं व पर्यटकों का आगमन, यूनेस्को द्वारा सराहना
- अयोध्या में दीपोत्सव, वाराणसी में देव-दीपावली, मथुरा में कृष्णोत्सव व बरसाना में रंगोत्सव का भव्य आयोजन
- काशी विश्वनाथ कॉरिडोर का विकास
- बौद्ध सर्किट के अंतर्गत श्रावस्ती, कपिलवस्तु और कुशीनगर का विकास
- रामायण सर्किट के अंतर्गत चित्रकूट और शृंगवेरपुर का विकास
- जैन तथा सूफी सर्किट के तहत आगरा एवं फतेहपुर सीकरी में पर्यटन सुविधाओं का विकास
- कैलाश मानसरोवर भवन का निर्माण, तीर्थयात्रियों की अनुदान राशि रु. 50 हजार से बढ़ाकर रु. 1 लाख प्रति यात्री की गयी
- 39.42 करोड़ पौधरोपण
- गंगा के दोनों किनारों पर 9 करोड़ पौधरोपण

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